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### LOCAL NEWS.

A few friends from town, schoolmates of the Misses Lilla and Eva Abbot of West Parish, visited them at their home Tuesday evening, and had a pleasant time. Music, games, and a collation made the time pass quickly and enjoyably. W. H. Higgins furnished conveyance.

At the meeting of Lincoln Lodge, A. O. U. W., last Monday night, H. F. Chase was presented with a handsome Past Master Workman's badge. Master Workman Campbell made the presentation remarks, and Mr. Chase responded appropriately.

Our well known shoe dealer, Benjamin Brown, has gone to Fruitland, Florida, to spend a few weeks with Thomas How all. He was accompanied by Mrs. N. E. Blackburn.

Rev. F. B. Makepeace of Springfield, formerly pastor of the Free Church, was in town over Sunday.

Of the 101 delegates, clergymen and laymen, selected to represent the United States in the International Congregationalist Council to be held in London next July, 44 are recognized as having been connected with our Phillips Academy, or the Theological Seminary, or both. Excluding those educated abroad and including those who have sent their sons to Andover, more than half may be claimed as the Andover delegation. Prof. Tucker will represent the Seminary, and make an address.

Alvin E. Tough has taken the position in the office of the Tyer Rubber Company, recently vacated by Fred. Goff.

Prof. E. C. Smyth was among the number present at the observance of the centennial anniversary of the Mass. Historical Society in the Arlington St. Church, Boston, Saturday.

Don't forget the Sons of Veterans assembly in G. A. R. Hall to-night.

The pupils of Mrs. Corning's evening dancing class held a very enjoyable dancing party in G. A. R. Hall, Monday night. Most of the participants appeared in evening dress. Besides the pupils, several of their friends enjoyed the evening's pleasure. Marier & Edney's Orchestra of Lawrence furnished good music for the dozen dances on the pretty orders, most of which were faucies. During the evening ice cream, cake, and lemonade were served by Page & Co. of Lawrence, the well known caterers. This assembly completed the first quarter's lessons, which have been very successful and another quarter will probably begin next Thursday night.

Frank F. Dole has purchased A. F. Wilbur's handsome black mare.

Miss Barnett's dancing school will not meet next Tuesday afternoon on account of the Kirmess coming during that week.

Lincoln Lodge A. O. U. W. initiated one new member Monday night, and received one application. It has now some 65 members.

William Kader of the Senior class of the Seminary has accepted his call to the Second Church in Biddeford, Me.

The Andover National Bank has had a standard thermometer placed near the outside entrance of its banking rooms.

In response to an invitation to the donors to view in its place the hall clock recently presented to Abbot Academy by Phillips Academy, about thirty Phillips students visited Draper Hall Saturday afternoon. They were presented by Principal Bancroft to Miss McKee, and were then shown the chief points of interest throughout the new house, not the least of which is now the landing of the central staircase adorned with their beautiful gift.

Mrs. Seaver, the dressmaker, has returned from a week's visit at Mrs. Stephen C. Parson's in Lawrence, and is now ready to receive customers again.

The town auditors, Messrs. Arthur Bliss, Charles H. Marland and George A. Higgins met yesterday and audited the accounts of the town officers.

Miss Alice Rhodes closes her dress-making rooms this week for a time and goes to Philadelphia, where she will remain with friends until spring.

The Senior classes of Phillips had their annual sleigh ride Wednesday night. Pray, with his barge and one of Wright's Lawrence barges, furnished the conveyance. They left town about 5 o'clock, and went to Bradford and serenaded the young ladies at the Academy there. Then they went through Haverhill and finally to Lawrence, driving up Essex Street to the Franklin House, arriving there about 9 o'clock. They partook of one of the best suppers that house affords, after which there were various toasts responded to and a general good time until midnight. Profs. Coy and Graves were present at the supper. One of the features of the occasion was the handsome menus designed and printed by the Andover Press.

One of the neatest gifts yet made to Abbot Academy is that of a handsome mail box to stand in the main hallway of Draper Hall. It is made of oak, and its value is enhanced by the pleasant appropriateness of gift and giver, Patrick J. Dwane, who has carried the mail for Abbot Academy for nearly sixteen years.

A barge load of pupils of the Pynchard School, accompanied by Principal Baldwin and Miss Deen, had a sleighride to Lowell Wednesday night, which was enjoyed very much. A nice supper was partaken of at the D. L. Page Co.'s restaurant, and the party arrived home soon after midnight. W. H. Higgins furnished the barge, which came from Lawrence.

The price of the adult tickets for Wednesday afternoon, Feb. 4th, (children's afternoon at the Kirmess) has been reduced to 25 cents to be paid at the door. This has been done by the committee in response to several requests from parents who wish to attend with their children.

The several acquaintances of Miss Maud Foster of Chelsea will be pleased to learn of her marriage to H. S. French of Bangor, Wednesday evening. He is assistant engineer for the Metropolitan Sewage Commission. They will reside in Cambridge.

Mrs. Jos. F. Cole and son Ray are visiting friends in Salem.

Pray took a sleighing party to Lowell, Tuesday night, composed of several young people from town. There was supper and dancing at the American House.

The opening article in the February number of Education of which Rev. Frank H. Kasson of our town is publisher, will be written by Gen. O. O. Howard on "How I was educated." Andover people remember with pleasure something of how Gen. Howard's sons were educated, in part here, and Gen. Howard's article will undoubtedly be of interest to many in town.

On the afternoon of Thursday, the Day of Prayer for Schools and Colleges, an earnest address was delivered to the students of Abbot Academy at a special service in their hall by Rev. F. E. Clark, well known as the originator of the Christian Endeavor movement. In words simple and clear, but glowing with the spirit of a deep and holy enthusiasm, he brought home to the hearts of his hearers the command "Seek ye first the kingdom of God and his righteousness."

Town Treasurer Parker's year's report shows that there has been paid out the past year by Selectmen's orders, \$135,240.46; cash on hand, \$1029.05; liabilities, including water bonds for \$155,000, \$184,001.88; assets \$11,644.16; orders paid on account of Waterworks \$68,899.45.

It has usually been the custom at fairs to charge exorbitant prices for the articles on sale. Aware of this fact, the November Club will make a special point of marking their articles for sale at the Kirmess at the lowest prices possible. Bric-a-brac, baskets, etc., will be sold at Boston prices, and there will be a fine assortment of these goods.

The Pynchard Cadets have purchased and received a lot of Springfield breech-loading rifles.

The Andover Grange had a largely attended and successful meeting Tuesday night. The first and second degrees were worked on several candidates.

The steamer and company were out for regular practice Monday night at the Central St. reservoir.

Mrs. Ballard Holt and daughter left town for New York City this morning. Mrs. Holt's sister, who lives there, is seriously ill.

The teacher's meeting Wednesday afternoon was fully as interesting as any that have been held. Papers on various educational topics were read by several teachers, and Dr. Selah Merrill's remarks were alike interesting and instructive.

The day of prayer for colleges was appropriately observed yesterday afternoon by a special service in the Chapel. The students of the various Hill institutions attended, beside quite a large number of other people. The address of Rev. H. P. Dewey of Concord, N. H., was an earnest and intensely interesting one.

At the annual meeting of the Juvenile Missionary Society of the West Church, Saturday, Jan. 24th, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year.

President, Mrs. F. W. Greene.

Vice-Pres. Miss Clara R. Boynton.

Sec. and Treas. Miss Gertrude Holt.

Directresses, Mrs. M. W. Tuck, Miss Maggie J. Ward, Miss Minnie H. Carruth and Miss Angie M. Burtt.

The money raised at the fair last fall

was distributed as follows:

A. B. C. F. M.	\$30.00
A. M. A.	\$35.00
A. H. M. S.	\$35.00
Congregational Union,	\$35.00
Santa Agency,	\$35.00
Total,	\$190.00

### Communication.

SEATTLE, Wash., Jan. 31, 1891.

Editor of Townsman:

We have been much interested to watch the progress of electric railway ideas in our old home. Perhaps five lines have been carried into successful operation during the 30 months of our residence here. While the only system in use, the overhead wire, demonstrates the improvement of electric motor over all others as applied to street cars, yet its danger and unsightliness is great. May Andover decide for some other system, dispensing with poles.

In the issue of the ninth inst., we notice a paragraph upon the magnificence of Venus, the morning star. It has been commented upon here, and a friend declared that he could see the points. It was not, he said, a five-pointed star, but appeared like a maltese cross upright, with four points. Imagination will sometimes work wonders.

The Andover Theological Seminary has ever been famous for its advanced position in spiritual thought, and its reply to the Christian Union concerning Ethical culture as contained in your issue of the 2d inst., evidences wakefulness. We are having a widespread interest in Theosophy, and some believe that the wise men of the East are following the Western star of the empire. The Pacific coast is certainly developing a psychic power that is astonishing. These Western Theosophists resemble in some respects the old-time Quakers in their lineal adherence to the injunctions of the Christ. They believe, however, that the truth has been known to all races at all times, but had its highest expression in the Nazarine. They seem to think that the "inner light" of George Fox, the ecstasy of the Catholic Saint, and the vision of a Saint John, can be attained by those who comply with the conditions as made known by Jesus Christ.

Hoping I have not intruded too much upon your patience, I remain, in spirit, Your fellow-townsman,

W. F. RICHARDSON.

Frye Village.

Miss Charlotte Hill is confined to her home from the effects of a fall on the ice last Friday, while on her way to the depot.

John B. A. Russell, employed by William Poor, was married last night to Mrs. Eunice Hartley of Lawrence. The ceremony was performed at Christ Church by Rev. Frederic Palmer. They will reside in Lawrence.

Mrs. Augusta Merrill, died Wednesday at the home of her daughter in Charlestown. The funeral services were held this afternoon at the Baptist Church. The cause of her death was pneumonia. She was quite an old lady being over 80 years old.



## COMMUNICATIONS.

Address of Mr. John Saunders before the Burns Club, Jan. 23, 1891.

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen.—I have been asked to address you to-night,

"But how my subject theme may gang, Let time and chance determine; Perhaps it may turn out a sang, Perhaps turn out a sermon."

When a rich man dies the question usually asked is, How much did he leave? Let me speak for a few minutes on the legacy Burns has left us. "Give me the making of my country's songs, and I care not who makes its laws" has almost passed into a proverb. We often hear Burns called the sweet singer of Scotland. True, he was a sweet singer, and the poet of the affections and the heart; but he was also a strong, hardy singer, satirical without being cynical, and when he tackled hypocrisy and cant he fought without gloves, and called a spade a spade. It is often asked, Why is Sir Walter Scott's anniversary not observed as is the birthday of our ploughman poet? Scott tells us of "courtly dames and knightly squires," and the very mention of Ivanhoe, the Bride of Lamermoor, the Lady of the Lake, and Marmion throws over us the glamor of ancient chivalry. Burns tells us that

"To make a happy fireside clime for weans and wife, That's the true pathos and sublime of human life."

Scott speaks of a gallant who could "frame love ditties passing rare, and sing them to a lady fair." Burns gives us the ditty:

"I see her in the dewy flowers, So lowly fresh and fair, I hear her voice in like bird I hear her charm the air. There's no a bonny flower that springs By fountain, shaw, or green, Nor yet a bonny bird that sings But minds me o' my Jean."

Shakespeare says:

"I know a bank whereon the wild thyme blows."

Burns says:

"Meet me on the lea rig, My ain kind dearie oh."

We find Burns able to face the questions of to-day. Take the socialistic movement; "Belamy's Looking-Backward," and the sentimental talk we hear of raising the masses *en masse* as if that was all that was required. Burns tells us in the "Two Dogs" when they (the dogs) are discussing this question and rehearsing the hardships of the poor that "bairdly chiefs and clever hizzos are bred in sic a way as this is," and finish their conversation on mankind in general by comforting themselves by the fact that they were not men but dogs.

In his letter to a poor brother poet he wipes out the current fallacy that riches and social standing are necessary to happiness

"What though like commoners of air,"

"But 'tent me, Davy, see o' hearts!"

"It's no in titles nor in rank."

In his prose thoughts in rhyme to use his own estimate of "a man's a man for a' that," what a withering rebuke to our worship of the Silver calf.

"Is there for honest poverty?"

The old farmer's new year's address to his old mare, his kindly sorrow for the mouse when his plow turned up her nest, his sympathy for the wounded hare as it limped past him, his remarks on winter

"List'ning the doors and winnows rattle, I think me on the ourie cattle or silly sheep."

Let us see that Burns anticipated the anti-slavery society now being formed in our village, and his parting words to the mouse. "But, mouse, thou art no thy-lane," etc., is simply our experience of life told in the poet's language.

How we Scotchmen continue to be so conceited I know not, knowing as we do what Burns said on seeing the louse on the lady's bonnet, "Oh, would some power," etc.

A fashionable fad just now is slumming or visiting the poorest, wickedest, dirtiest districts of our large towns. Burns in his "Jolly Beggars" gives us every detail of the slum and yet his gangrel bodies, in Poosie Nansie's, are hardly rascals, quite able to look after themselves. The old soldier, an old slummer, who sings the first song gives us a lift free from cant. "I am a son of Mars," etc. And the last song the whole lot of slummers sung in chorus gives us the very kernel of the slum difficulty they sing to-day:

"Life is all a variorum, We regard not how it goes; Let them cant about decorum Who have characters to lose."

Burns' address to the De'il has been read by the Faculty on Andover Hill. Who can tell but this has something to do with the celebrated Andover controversy. As to Burns' theology let me quote his own words. "Perhaps the Christian volume is the theme how guiltless blood for guilty man was shed."

As showing the versatility of his powers so feelingly noted in Professor

Churchill's letter, I will read two short passages from his "Tam o' Shanter," one almost pure Scotch, the other pure English. Tam's wife gives her estimate of her husband's character thus:

"She bauld thee wae thou wast a skellum Ye drank wi' Kirkton Jean till Monday! Then these lines on how short-lived earthly pleasures are."

"But pleasures are like poppies spread"

Amid the storm we leave Burns sleeping in the auld Kirk yard of Dumfries. The clear waters of the Solway as they meet the big waves of the Atlantic, singing his lullaby, and when our turn comes to shuffle off this mortal coil may we be enabled to do so as Burns tells us:

"Thus resigned and quiet, creep To the bed of lasting sleep."

## The Poe in Ambush.

(This is the first of a series of articles on the sewage question.)

Since Jan. 12 our newspapers have been devoting columns to the epidemic of typhoid fever in the neighboring cities of Lowell and Lawrence on our Merrimack. Of the 150 cases or more reported at Lawrence, only 14 could be traced to unsatisfactory drainage of the premises. In Lowell, the ratio of typhoid went up in October last to that of Boston, and beyond it in the two following months; and the State Board of Health began a thorough investigation of the Merrimack River water and that of the reservoirs of the two cities who drink it. The process of hunting up the germs which are supposed to cause or to be the result of the diseased conditions labelled typhoid fever, typhoid pneumonia, typhoid dysentery, etc., is a very slow one, as they have to be "cultivated" under the microscope in order to determine by their peculiar development "which is which." Dr. Koch of Berlin, the discoverer of the cholera microbe, does not think it possible to find any water without microbes, but they may sometimes be harmless. "The number of micro-organisms in good water varies from 10 to 150 per cubic centimeter. If the number exceed this limit, the water must be suspected as contaminated; if it reaches 1000 the water should be condemned." Luckily for the general public the testing of water is so very expensive a process that we are obliged to drink serenely on, and never know what populous colonies pour down our throats to be routed forth by that marvellous sewage system of liver, kidneys, skin, and lungs that the Creator has taken such infinite pains to adjust to the changing needs of these "living temples," and which man so heedlessly and suicidally neglects. You cannot expect that people who are asleep to the calls for more thorough work made by Mother Nature in their own bodies, are going to worry very much just yet about the dangers from the outside in our prevalent drainage system. But listen for the sake of people who have waked up, if not for your own.

Prof. Sedgwick, Biology Professor at the Mass. Institute of Technology, says our ordinary domestic sewage contains 500,000 bacteria or germs to the cubic third of an inch. This is the stuff that Lawrence has been serving out to its Andover patrons. (It does not seem safe to be a temperance man over there.) Very few cases of typhoid fever have developed in the cities on the river above Lowell; but at a village of Chelmsford, the sewage of a wool-washing factory empties into Stony Brook, which discharges into the Merrimack directly above Lowell's water supply. The employees of this factory, coming down with typhoid fever, have worked until forced to quit from illness. The first cases at Lowell are considered to be the result of this source of supply. At the corporation hospital on Pawtucket Street, Lowell, were more typhoid patients; and the sewage from that building, though said to be "disinfected," discharges into the canal, and is pumped into the mills for washing purposes, where many of the operatives prefer to drink it, as it is cooler than the reservoir water supply. The sewage of the city of Lowell, after the typhoid epidemic was in full swing, emptied its mischievous load into the Merrimack, and the professor found plenty of germs in the water below Lowell and above Lawrence. The river has entirely frozen over for the first time in many years, and the conditions, similar to those in a closed pipe, have been favorable for the rapid development of germs. The industrious ice-cutters await with some anxiety the verdict of science in regard to the purity of our summer supply from this source.

People in Lowell using the high service from the stand-pipe where the water constantly circulates under pressure, have not suffered from typhoid as have those who used the stagnant reservoir supply. The Lawrence reservoir is the second in size in the state, and the water is ten per cent cleaner than that of the river. As the work of cleaning out this big tank cannot well be done in the winter, and no purer river supply can be had, the people of Lawrence have taken to boiled water as

a beverage. I was lately offered the choice of the boiled bacteria from the reservoir, the warm and stale spring water that the children of the family treasured in glass jars down cellar, or water from a well carefully sealed up for years, and still in use by one member who did not like river water. I ran the risk of the unsafe condition of the saturated Lawrence soil, and partook sparingly from the "old oaken bucket." I do not know whether the danger from bathing in contaminated water is very great; but I should boil such water both for dish-washing, bathing, and the final rinsing of the laundry; for the persistent energy of a disease germ is like that of its father, the devil.

At the beginning of this attempt to bring before your readers what I have been able to gather from many sources in regard to the sewage question, I place the Lawrence episode, because it shows plainly that we cannot afford to accommodate ourselves, Chelmsford fashion, at the expense of our neighbors in other towns. The sewage bacteria of the Merrimack River may not be able to make a backward raid up the discharge stream into our Haggitt's and poison us; but when we get ready to drain our town we expect to use either the Shawshin or a big sewer to discharge another foul load into the Merrimack. The tide comes up to within three miles of the city, — so a native says, — and what it can bring up of the Haverhill, Bradford, and North Andover sweetness to mix with what may be checked back of the Andover contribution will probably add a few new varieties of microbes to the Lawrence collection. KNOW NOTHING.

## Western Farm Loans.

"A Land War in Kansas—Farmers' Alliance Bands ejecting Loan Company tenants in Kingman County—The Original Holders re-instated—A General Movement in the State expected."

The above startling head-lines have appeared with variations in many eastern papers of late, creating no little alarm among the many who have loaned money here in Kansas, and frightening those who would doubtless otherwise become investors. The reports bear on the face of them gross exaggeration. I have taken pains to investigate the matter, and find the facts to be briefly these:

One Cassidy secured a loan from the Jarvis-Conklin Mortgage Co. The interest having been defaulted, foreclosure was instituted, judgement obtained, and the property sold by the sheriff; after the usual stay of six months Cassidy and family were ejected from the premises, as they probably would have been anywhere in the United States. The farm was subsequently rented by said company to a man named Guthrie. It so happened that some members of the Cassidy family were ill at the time of ejection. The sympathies of the neighbors were aroused in their behalf, and a dozen or more (not "a hundred") masked men on a December night forcibly compelled Guthrie to vacate the premises, and proceeded to reinstate the Cassidy. This of course was a violation of law and order, the only instance of the kind, however, that has come to my notice during a six years' residence in the state. It savors more of the "White Cap outrages" of law-abiding New England than of Kansas methods of meting out justice. I think I am safe in saying that 99 out of every 100 men in the state, whether members of the Farmers' Alliance or not, unqualifiedly condemned the act.

Of course the recent success of the Farmers' Alliance at the polls, November last, makes this "outrage" of more significance than it would otherwise have. One would infer from the letters and papers that pour in upon us from the east that the opinion prevails here that the members of the Alliance are about to institute a "Reign of Terror" similar to the New York anti-rebellion of forty years ago, of which the Kingman County episode is but the beginning. In point of fact, nothing could be more remote from the purpose of the organization, most of whose members are sensible, intelligent men, with no wish to injure the credit of the state. A prominent Alliance man said to me to-day that he did not know one man who had any idea of ridding himself of any part of his obligation to the eastern money lender, nor did he know of any who wished to make a change in the present "stay laws." It is possible that a bill for extending the stay law may be introduced by some Alliance crank during the coming session of the legislature, but there is no probability of its being carried, for the state senate is almost exclusively republican, and Gov. Humphrey would undoubtedly stand in the way with his veto.

The question naturally arises, What then do the farmers propose to do? What do they hope to effect by legislation?

First, to make usurious rates of interest illegal. In every new country loaning money on chattels extensively prevails. Such money lenders have

been guilty of charging from two to five dollars a month—ruinous rates. It is against this class of men that the Alliance aim their first blow.

In the second place they claim, and rightly, that national legislation for the past few years has been too largely in the interest of the great moneyed corporations and too little in the interest of the laboring classes, in consequence of which great trusts have been built up, and combinations effected injurious to the farmers. Such, for instance, are the great packing houses which by united action can at any time arbitrarily fix the price of stock, quite irrespective of the natural demand, thereby destroying wholesome competition, and rendering the farmers helpless. Against such injustice they hope to secure both state and national legislation.

Thirdly, they hold that the present amount of circulating medium is inadequate for the proper transaction of the business of the country; they therefore advocate the "unlimited coinage of silver," and some extremists are even found clamoring for "flat money."

In the fourth place the Kansas farmers, and many of us who are not farmers, fail to see why they should pay for the transportation of the produce of their farms a higher rate for a given distance than is charged for a like mileage east of the Missouri river. Such unjust discrimination they are bound to abolish, and propose to give to railroad commissioners such powers as will enable them to protect the farmers' interests.

Again, they hold that the National Banking system should be abolished, that the national government should issue its bank notes direct and transact the banking business of the country generally. Is there anything in the foregoing list prejudicial to the interests of the eastern investor?

To those who feel that Kansas is no longer a good field for safe investment, I would say that there is no state in the Union whose soil is richer and better adapted to the successful cultivation of a great diversity of crops, none of whose climate is more healthful and beautiful, few, if any, whose resources are more varied than Kansas, and fewer yet where thrifty farmers are more prosperous than are those in the eastern part of this state. The register of deeds for Shawnee County, S. J. Bear, stated in a recent issue of the Topeka Daily Capital that two mortgages are being paid off for the one that is filed for record. Similar reports are published by the registers of other eastern counties. Personally I know this to be true. Our own farm loans are being paid off, many of them before maturity. A prosperous farmer living twelve miles from Topeka, who owns 200 acres of land, 40 acres of which is in orchard, secured of us a loan of \$1500, three years ago last April. In October of the present year he paid off the entire amount, one and a half years before it was due. He had raised and sold during the year 1890 \$1000 of stock. From this year's apple crop he had already realized \$1000; and still had 5000 bushels to market at 75 cents a bushel. This may be an exceptional case, but it goes to show what can be done in this soil and climate when brawn and brain are brought to bear.

Farm loans in such a country must be good security if properly placed. Many large moneyed institutions ask no better. The Connecticut Mutual of Hartford, the Mutual Benefit of Newark, N.J., and the Northwestern Life of Milwaukee, all conspicuously conservative in their management, for several years have been loaning millions in the eastern half of Kansas. The general agent of the Northwestern, whose headquarters are in this city, told me recently that his company had had but one foreclosure in a year.

At the present high price of farm produce many a piece of farm land will more than pay for itself this year. Although this is considered an off year, Kansas has raised 29,000,000 bushels of the best wheat ever grown within her limits—a large part of which has brought as high as 80 cents per bushel. Eastern Kansas had the best apple crop in the United States this year, and tens of thousands of barrels are still being shipped to Colorado and to the eastern markets. Corn is bringing the farmers in the country from 40 to 45 cents per bushel. Here in Topeka it brings 50 cents. If all this be true, and hundreds of our most reliable men can vouch for it, why are Kansas loans considered unsafe? People in the east fail to discriminate between the arid western portions of this vast state; portions as yet generally unfit for agricultural purposes, and the fertile eastern half, one of the finest agricultural regions in the country. The poor loans held by so many eastern investors are upon wild, unimproved land in the extreme western part of the state, or in small, boomed towns of mushroom growth, that sprung up along the lines of new railroads during '86 and '87. They were never good. Good farm loans in Kansas are as safe now as they ever have been, and as secure an investment as the country affords.

KAN.—In Clinton Courant. Topeka, Kansas, Jan. 10, 1890.

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## CONDENSED NEWS.

Friday, Jan. 23.  
 Ex-Queen Natalie announces her intention to leave Serbia.  
 M. Benjamin Constant, Brazilian minister of war, is dead.  
 Men, women and children are reported starving in Galway, Ire.  
 A mine explosion at Marietta, Mo., probably fatally injured six men.  
 A fire at Marquette, Mich., did \$63,000 damage. About one-third insured.  
 London brokers express the opinion that congress should pass the free coinage bill.  
 The French seaport Fecamp is inundated, and the inhabitants were rescued with difficulty.  
 A French journalist is to be expelled from Italy for attacking Signor Crispi and his policy.  
 The Mosambique company is to sue the British East African association for \$10,000 damages.  
 About 20,000 unemployed men are now in Chicago, and some apprehension is felt over the situation.  
 A Chicago dispatch notes some big obstacles in the way of the final inauguration of the new railroad agreement.  
 Charles E. Eaton, a prominent manufacturer of Woburn, Mass., was badly injured by being caught in an elevator.  
 A notable instance of ungratefulness is the strike of laborers on government relief works at Hare Island and Skibbereen, Ire.  
 The proposals of Gen. Booth to open the municipal buildings of London to the destitute for lodging purposes have been declined.  
 Funeral services over King Kalakaua were held in San Francisco. The body was taken to Hawaii on the cruiser Charleston.  
 Offended by a vote of censure in the assembly, two Brazilian ministers, interior and commerce, have tendered their resignations.  
 The secretary of the Columbus Base Ball association team states that there is no truth in the report that Pitcher Baldwin has been released to the Boston club.  
 Saturday, Jan. 24.  
 A new national bank is to be started in Lynn.  
 A new ministry has been formed in Brazil.  
 Chinese were driven out of Milton, Ore., by a mob.  
 Hoagland boat Driscoll, in a ten-mile walk in Worcester.  
 Lowell people are warned against drinking the canal water.  
 Chilian insurgents are said to be masters of the situation.  
 Fire in the Athlone, Kan., carriage works caused \$40,000 loss.  
 A woman at San Antonio, Tex., shot an army sergeant and then herself.  
 A London matrimonial agent claims to have negotiated 40,000 marriages.  
 Senator Evans' youngest son, Sherman, is the only one of his large family of boys who displays any love for politics and political life.  
 Smallpox is epidemic throughout the central and southern parts of Texas.  
 It is believed that British war ships already are cruising in Chilian waters.  
 The engineers and firemen stand by the strikers on the Chicago and Erie railroad.  
 The steamer Banan, recently ashore, has been towed to Hampton Road for repairs.  
 Charles E. Eaton of Woburn, Mass., who was crushed in an elevator, will probably recover.  
 Secretary Blaine has again been asked to protest against the prosecution of Jews in Russia.  
 A verdict of not guilty was rendered in the Provencano-Matranga vendetta case in New Orleans.  
 "Old Hatch" denies that he has retired from business. He has given up trading on his own account only.  
 An independent political party is not likely to be developed just now from the Farmers' labor movement.  
 George Grimes, a brakeman on the New York and New England railroad, was run over and killed by the cars.  
 Rev. M. J. Savage of Boston has accepted a call to the pastorate of the Unitarian Church of the Messiah of Chicago.  
 Sunday, Jan. 25.  
 President Gage of the Chicago World's fair has resigned.  
 Ashley Blodgett, nearly 90 years old, died at Norwich, Vt.  
 Mayor Sargent of New Haven advocates municipal ownership.  
 Russian towns are snowed in and in danger of starvation.  
 A paper mill at Appleton, Wis., was burned. Loss \$175,000.  
 There is a mild epidemic of diphtheria cold at the White house.  
 Gen. Whitehouse, a veteran English soldier, who fought at the battle of Waterloo, is reported as dying.  
 Mr. Balfour, secretary for Ireland, has one of the finest farms in the south of Scotland. It is at Wittinghame.  
 Judge Bingham of Littleton, of the New Hampshire supreme court, is still confined to his home by sickness, but is thought to be slowly gaining.  
 It is stated that friends of Senator Blair are trying to persuade him to be a candidate for appointment as judge of the United States court for the district of New Hampshire.  
 Monday, Jan. 26.  
 A repeal of the German prohibition of American pork is probable.  
 A man lying across the track was killed by a train near Athol, Mass.  
 The Dominion parliament is to be dissolved. The elections are to take place in March.  
 The charge of forgery in the celebrated ballot-box scandal in Ohio have been dismissed.  
 Indians of the Red Lake reservation, in Minnesota, are making threatening demonstrations.  
 A New York drummer was drugged, robbed and laid out for dead in the morgue at Chicago.  
 Chief Engineer Farrier and Driver Dinan were killed, and several other firemen injured in Jersey City.  
 A. G. Mills declines the chairmanship of the base ball board, and recommends A. G. Spalding for the position.  
 It is said there are suspicions that the silver pool investigating committee is trying to shield senators and representatives.  
 The president has appointed David M. Benjamin of Wisconsin as commissioner to the World's fair, vice John L. Mitchell, resigned.  
 Mrs. President Harrison is suffering with a severe cold and was compelled to abandon the public reception set for Saturday afternoon.  
 Mrs. Mary Darden of Hampton, Va., claims to be 100 years old, and her word is

believed. Her mother died in 1891 at the reported age of 106 years.  
 Rev. Perkins Smith, a retired Free Baptist minister, who preached many years in York county, Me., died at Bangor, aged 68. He leaves one son and two daughters.  
 Judge Benjamin R. Curtis of the Boston municipal court died suddenly yesterday afternoon of pneumonia. He contracted a severe cold some three days ago, which assumed later a serious form.  
 Tuesday, Jan. 27.  
 Dispatches from the continent show that the floods are general.  
 The Hamburg distillery at Pekin, Ill., was burned. Loss \$105,000.  
 A shark was taken at Santa Cruz, Cal., whose liver yielded six barrels of oil.  
 A large deposit of mineral paint has been discovered in Pinal county, Ari.  
 Senator Hearst is better, the symptoms of blood poisoning having disappeared.  
 Three women publicly whipped a lawyer at Detroit for alleged shyster work.  
 Chilian rebels bombarded Coronel, a number of persons being killed and injured.  
 A collector of idols who died in San Francisco had a collection of 500 little deities.  
 A farmer in Jefferson, La., has a strong flowing gas well where he expected to get water.  
 No Heilgolander under 16 years of age is allowed to go to a public house, dancing saloon or theatre.  
 There are more contradictory reports about the outcome of the Boulogne conferences of Irish leaders.  
 Ice gorges along the Mohawk and tributary streams have inundated a number of villages in central New York.  
 A prolonged and desperate struggle over the wage question seems imminent in the Pennsylvania coal regions.  
 Leading physicians at Albany deny the sensational story to the effect that an epidemic of typhoid fever is prevalent here.  
 Miss Agnes Schuessler, a dressmaker, has recovered \$10,000 damages from a New York grocery man for a breach of promise.  
 Walt Whitman writes to a New York acquaintance: "Am having an extra bad spell these days. May blow over—may not."  
 An attachment has been issued by a Montreal house against William Stevenson, foundryman of Petrolia, Ont. His liabilities exceed \$60,000.  
 Wednesday, Jan. 28.  
 Chief Justice Peters of Bangor, Me., is seriously ill.  
 Two French physicians announce a new cure for tuberculosis.  
 The lasters' strike at East Manchester, N. H., has been settled.  
 There is no progress in Connecticut's fight over state officers.  
 A Chicago dispatch reports the formation of a barbed wire trust.  
 The Boston Ice company has cut 125,000 tons of ice at Wakefield, Mass.  
 Emu Pasha wants a boat for trading purposes on the Victoria Nyansa.  
 A Biddeford judge refused witness fees to policemen on unaccounted cases.  
 Jarvis McEnlee, the landscape painter, died at Rondout, N. Y., of Bright's disease.  
 The Rhode Island legislature has ordered a new election in the Second district on Feb. 31.  
 An ice gorge, several miles in length, threatens to do great damage at Tunkhannock, Pa.  
 Arrangements have been completed for giving Boston letters an earlier delivery in New York.  
 No wrecks have been discovered along the Jersey shore, but the storm battered the coast line badly.  
 The rapid falling of the water has prevented a threatened disastrous flood along the Susquehanna river.  
 The French have suppressed the rebellion in Senegal. All the chiefs have either submitted to the French or fled to the desert.  
 Sir Charles Tennant has received offers of £15,000 and \$30,000 consecutively, for Sir Joshua Reynolds' "The Fortunes Teller."  
 The eighteenth annual reunion and banquet of the Massachusetts Press association will be held at the Vendome, Boston, Tuesday, Feb. 10.  
 Rev. Zephern Druon, Catholic priest of St. Albans, an active and successful worker in that state for thirty-eight years, died yesterday.  
 Thursday, Jan. 29.  
 The report of Mr. Gladstone's retirement was unfounded.  
 Mr. Parnell assumes all the privileges of a leader in his discourses.  
 Free coinage of silver was denounced at a public meeting in Providence.  
 Lawrence wants the Merrimack river protected from pollution by legislation.  
 The Vanderbilts are said to be negotiating for iron mines in northern Michigan.  
 The French squadron cruising in the waters of New Zealand has been ordered to Chile.  
 Each section of the Irish parliamentary party will move an amendment to the Irish land bill.  
 The opposition to the rapid transit bill was defeated in the first tussle in the New York state senate.  
 The escape of a young girl from an Ohio jail by scaling a twenty-five-foot wall puzzles the officials.  
 A man died at one of the Boston hospitals just before three of his relatives called to inquire about him.  
 Miss Horvitz of Baltimore was married in Ascot, Eng., to Claude Ponsonby, of one of the old English families.  
 Senator Felipe Poey, the renowned Cuban philosopher and naturalist, is dead. He was born in Havana in 1803.  
 Mrs. Charles W. Taylor of Portsmouth, N. H., has been granted a divorce from her husband, who was shot by Heine last fall.  
 The striking spinners of the Wamsutta mills, New Bedford, have secured the adoption of their terms and will return to work.  
 The deadlock in the Lowell common council has been broken and George Rogers (Dem.) elected city clerk in concurrence.  
 The Yantic has been ordered to blow up the wrecks of the steamer Viscaya and the schooner Cornelius Hargraves off Barnegat.  
 Miss Minnie Ellinwood, an attendant at the Worcester lunatic hospital, committed suicide by taking a dose of laudanum. No cause is assigned.  
 Omaha having enjoined the delivery of \$100,000 of the Union depot bonds, the Union Pacific proposes to postpone the erection of the depot.  
 Delegates of the French Protestant churches of New England organized at Worcester as "The French Protestant Union of New England."

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The edition of the TOWNSMAN last week was much larger than usual, but was however much too small for the demand. Not a copy was to be had on Saturday night and several hundred were disappointed. It is impossible to foresee the extra demand on account of special articles that may be published, but we shall endeavor not to have the editions run so low in the future. The excellent report of the Abbot Academy housewarming was recognized by an order for 1300 reprints of that article, and many other local happenings made the number an especially valuable one. The average number of TOWNSMAN readers each week during the past four months has without doubt exceeded 5000, and the constant increase seems to indicate an appreciation of our efforts. "Support your local paper" has been our watchword for the past few months, and our townsmen are awakening to its appeal to a very gratifying extent. May the watchword reach every citizen in Andover.

Our inside pages are especially interesting this week. Page 2 in particular should be read by everyone. The bright and pithy address of Mr. Saunders has many good points. The Kansas mortgage question is discussed in a manner to throw much light on a topic that is of vital interest to investors in western land mortgages, and there are many of these in Andover; and last but not least, every citizen of Andover will be repaid for following the discussion of the sewage question to take up several papers and begun in to-day's issue. There are 120,000 little pieces of type on the four inside pages of the TOWNSMAN. Do you see them all every week? Some of them will surely interest you.

The sudden and tragic death of Hon. William Windom, secretary of the treasury, at a New York banquet, last night, will be a serious loss to the nation. Mr. Windom was a very able man and his death will leave a big gap in the Republican party, and make a vacancy in President Harrison's cabinet which will be hard to fill.

"How's politics?" is the password on the streets these days, but the invariable answer of "don't know", makes the question of little importance. "Don't know" is certainly the answer and probably will be for three weeks yet, and it is undoubtedly just as well that it should be.

**Waterworks.**

The report of the Water Commissioners and Superintendent for the past year will show that the first year has been a successful one and that with continued prosperity the Andover waterworks will prove to be of that value which was anticipated by their most ardent supporters. The commissioners have labored faithfully to bring about a good result, and think that the report when read in full in the Annual Town Report will prove such. The receipts for the past year have more than paid the running expenses. There are in all 329 water takers, and the services in provide water for 10 stores and offices, 6 public buildings, 2 buildings for manufacturing purposes, and 394 families. The average daily consumption is 138,932 gallons.

The total consumption from July 1 to Jan. 1 was 24,911,445 gallons divided as follows: 78 domestic and 2 manufacturers' metres, 2,610,210 gallons; fountains, 2,994,000; street sprinkler, 1,800,000; fire department and clearing pipes, 2,000,000; faucet rates, 312 families, 15,557,235.

There has not been a leak in the pipes since Nov. 11, just previous to which time a thorough inspection was made. There has been very little complaint about the water, and what there has been has come mainly from Salem and Morton Streets, and Washington Ave. All dead ends: The Salem Street trouble has been remedied by the addition of a constant flowing drinking fountain. Morton Street will grow better as the consumption increases. On Washington the Superintendent suggests that the two dead ends be connected and thus give a circulation.

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**Merrimack Valley Congregational Club.**

The annual meeting of the Merrimack Valley Congregational Club will be held in the vestry of the First Church, Lowell, Monday evening, February 2, 1891. The following will be the programme of the evening:

Social Hour, 5 to 6 o'clock.  
Supper at 6 o'clock, followed by  
Annual Reports of Officers and Committees.

Election of Officers.  
Discussion of Ways and Means and Miscellaneous Business.

The evening's discussion will be opened by an address upon "Labor and Relief Movements in England," by Mr. Robert A. Woods, one of the appointed Lecturers at the Andover Seminary for this year. Principal N. B. Sargent of the John Tyler Barker Free School, West Boxford, will follow, speaking on "Gospel Principles in the Public School."

The remainder of the evening will be given up to the members of the Club for remarks upon any of the discussed questions of 1890. Railroad tickets may be obtained of Mr. John N. Cole, Andover; also on the train. Train leaves Andover at 4.25.

**The Kirmess Programme.**

The Kirmess will open Tuesday evening, Feb. 3d. There will be nine different Booths, decorated with national colors, presided over by ladies in costume, each having appropriate articles to sell. These booths will be Italian, Colonial, Oriental, French, Spanish, Gipsy tent for baskets, Revolutionary booth, Japanese, Ice cream, a well of Lemonade, tea, coffee, cake, candy, fruit can be found there. A Venetian grab, guesses, a cane prize, soap bubbles etc. for spare pennies.

There will be a farce Tuesday evening aided by our "Sisters and Cousins and Aunts."

Wednesday afternoon is children's day, when they will act "Mother Goose" and dance a minuet.

Wednesday evening the Phillips Glee and Banjo Clubs will sing and play.

Thursday the farce will be repeated and the Andover Orchestra play.

Friday, the musical pantomime of "Mary Jane."

There will be a cloak room open for the convenience of guests. A barge will be in readiness each evening to carry people to and fro for the moderate sum of ten cents a ride. Orders to be left at the Mansion House or at the Town Hall.

The Hall will be open from seven to ten each evening and from three to six Wednesday afternoon.

Season Tickets for four evenings, \$1.00  
Single Tickets, .35  
Children under 14 years, .20  
Wednesday p.m. entrance, .25  
No tickets are issued for this afternoon and those having already bought 35 cent tickets for Wednesday p.m. will have the money refunded at the door. Per order of Executive Committee.

**Stepniak.**

A large audience was on hand Monday evening in the Town Hall to hear the much-talked of lecture on "Nihilism in Russia" by the famous Russian, Nihilist, Sergius Stepniak. It was indeed a fortunate thing that the Philomathean Society of Phillips Academy was able to bring before an Andover audience this famous writer, lecturer, and radical publicist, one who has not only seen but suffered by the existing condition of the Russian government.

Dr. Bancroft introduced the speaker in a few appropriate remarks. He is a powerful man physically, and there was power and facility in his expression, but it required close attention to understand him thoroughly though he has a remarkably free flow of the English language. He likened the Russian struggle of Nihilism to our slavery question and said that it was the name unjustly applied to those who have put forth their best efforts to obtain common equality of the people. His description from his own experience of the life and object of the Nihilist was very interesting. He was born of high parentage, but was affected by the unjust punishments of the poorer classes, which condition of things he determined to better if possible. Soon after his college life, he and six associates commenced the almost impossible task of trying to infuse revolutionary ideas among this poorer class of people. The government of course made strenuous opposition, but their cause continued to grow, though only at the sacrifice of labor, money and life. Of his six associates, one was hanged, two died in Siberia, and another was tortured in a fortress until he became a maniac and was afterwards killed. The desire of the revolutionary party is to obtain freedom of speech and the press in Russia, which deserves a better political standing in the world. His pictures of terrible cruelties and tortures inflicted could not help but awaken sympathy in the hearts of the audience for the poorer class of Russians.

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Is one which is guaranteed to bring you satisfactory results, or in case of failure a return of the purchase price. On this safe plan you can buy from our advertised Druggist a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. It is guaranteed to bring relief in every case when used for any affection of the throat, lungs or chest, such as Consumption, Inflammation of the Lungs, Bronchitis, Asthma, Whooping Cough, Creep, etc. It is pleasant and agreeable to taste, perfectly safe, and can always be depended upon. Trial bottles free at Arthur Bliss' Drugstore.

**Obituary.**

Joseph W. Foster, well-known to many of our citizens, and now a resident of Newtonville, died very suddenly Monday evening, of heart disease, on his way home from Boston. He was taken ill in the Boston & Albany depot at Boston, and expired before reaching Allston. Mr. Foster was about 70 years old, and a man of a very estimable character. He with his family, consisting of a wife, son, William, and a daughter, Annie, resided in this town for many years, in the house now occupied by Jos. F. Cole. The funeral took place Thursday afternoon at his residence in Newtonville, and was largely attended.

Funeral services over the remains of the late Julia B. Nolan, who died last Friday, were held at St. Augustine's Church Sunday afternoon, Rev. J. J. Ryan officiating. There was a large attendance of friends, and the floral tributes were beautiful. Interment occurred in the family lot in the Catholic Cemetery. The deceased, who was 26 years old, had been in ill health for some time, but bore her sickness patiently and bravely. A rather quiet and reserved young lady, yet of a kind disposition and exemplary character, she will be missed by her large circle of friends, who in turn will join in sympathy for the bereaved family.

Bridget Barry died at the home of James Toomey on Park St., last Saturday, at the age of 82 years. She was sick for some three weeks with gastritis. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning at St. Augustine's Church, and burial took place in the Catholic Cemetery.

**"The Age of Words."**

Miss Freeman—I don't like Andover. I believe in looking on the bright side of theology.

Mr. Slavin—Andover looks on the bright side of theology, I'm sure. Don't the Andover people think the heathen have a glowing future before them?—From Kate Field's Washington.

**Across the Isthmus.**

Mr. M. A. Hannon, of Hannon Bros., retail grocers, 24 Heath St., Boston, one of the most enterprising and capable young business men in the city, has gone on a trip across the Isthmus of Panama, and along the Pacific coast to California and Oregon. He will return to Boston over the Northern Pacific Railroad. This is a long, delightful trip replete with rare and wonderful sights, and we congratulate Mr. Hannon and wish him a prosperous sojourn.—Grocer's Journal.

The storm that came with the full moon and the rainbow was a very pretty one, and will do a great service in convincing the electric operators of all degrees that underground transit is cheapest in the end. But the storm was not one of the cyclones that was announced. The 28th storm is on time, another starts on the 31st. As your paper next week will be sent out too late, I will send the bulletin for the first part of February. Between the 5th and 15th there will be six efforts of the witches to improve the weather, besides the new-moon. The storm starting the 8th will probably be most violent. Expect about ten days of very old fashioned weather between the 7th and 17th of February.

"Tried and true" is the verdict of people who take Hood's Sarsaparilla. The good effects of this medicine are soon felt in nerve strength restored, that tired feeling driven off, a good appetite created, headache and dyspepsia relieved, scrofula cured.

**A Card.**

We wish to express our thanks to our friends and neighbors for the many expressions of kindness and sympathy extended to us in our recent bereavement.

Mrs. K. NOLAN.  
MARY M. NOLAN.

Andover, Jan. 30.

**Merit Wins.**

We desire to say to citizens, that for years we have been selling Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Dr. Ling's New Life Pills, Bucklen's Arnica Salve and Electric Bitters, and have never handled remedies that sell as well or that have given such universal satisfaction. We do not hesitate to guarantee them every time, and we stand ready to refund the purchase price, is satisfactory results do not follow their use. These remedies have won their great popularity purely on their merits. Sold by Arthur Bliss.

**Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that contain Mercury.**

As mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and completely derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, contains no mercury, and is taken internally, and acts directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure, be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally, and made in Toledo, O., by F. J. Cheney & Co. Sold by Druggists price 75 cents per bottle.

**100 Ladies Wanted.**

And 100 men to call on any druggist for a free trial package of Lane's Family Medicine, the great root and herb remedy, discovered by Dr. Silas Lane while in the Rocky Mountains. For diseases of the blood, liver and kidneys it is a positive cure. For constipation and clearing up the complexion it does wonders. Children like it. Everyone praises it. Large-size package 50 cents. At all druggists.

**LAWRENCE.**

An item in this column last week said that Major Merrill would deliver the Memorial Day address before Post 99. It should have been Post 90.

Representative Cannon introduced a bill in the legislature Friday to amend the present weekly payment law by requiring all manufacturing establishments to pay weekly.

The police arrested seven Chinamen who were gambling in a Hampshire St. laundry Sunday. Monday morning Judge Stone fined them \$3 and costs, each.

Mrs. Mary A. Livermore lectured in Trinity Church Monday night, on "The Perils of the Republic."

A serious accident occurred to Gardner McCartney, son of the proprietor of the Lawrence One Price Clothing Company. He is seven years old, and came with his mother in a sleigh to meet Mr. McCartney. The boy alighted first, and his mother in stepping from the sleigh caught her dress on the step, and falling forward, struck the boy and knocked him down. His head struck the curbstone, cutting a large gash on his left temple.

"The Great Metropolis" is at the Opera House to-night. Also Saturday afternoon and night. Next Monday the picturesque Irish play, "The Fairies' Well," will hold the boards.

Mr. Moody, the evangelist, was invited to come to Lawrence, but he has declined the invitation.

A family consisting of four grown people, on Springfield Street, came near being suffocated by coal gas Tuesday morning. Upon retiring Monday night they left a good fire in the range, the drafts being closed and the covers lifted off. Both bedrooms connected with the kitchen. One of the family, a boarder, attempted to rise in the morning, but was too weak. Soon Thomas Huse came home after a night's work, but could not get in as the house was locked. He opened the blinds of a window and called to his brother who acted as though in pain, to open the door. There was no answer, and he rattled the windows. His brother soon after managed to crawl to the door and open it. The cause was soon discovered and a doctor called, who managed to save them all.

The celebrated ex-priest of New York, Rev. Dr. McGlynn, will lecture in City Hall next Wednesday evening at 7.45. His subject will be "Our Public Schools and their enemies." Col. John P. Sweeney will preside.

The directors of the Merrimack Valley Street Railway Co. had a meeting Tuesday afternoon. Directors Bosson of Chelsea and N. E. Morton of this city resigned, and William A. Perrin and J. N. Beckley of Rochester, N. Y., were elected to fill the vacancies. Mr. Morton will continue as superintendent.

**Sunday Services for Feb. 1.**

SOUTH CHURCH.—10.30 A.M. Rev. J. J. Blair the pastor will preach. Sunday School at noon. Evening service at 7.15.

CHURCH.—Morning service at 10.30. Evening service at 7.15. Rev. Frederic Palmer will preach in the morning and evening. Sunday School at 12 M.

FREE CHURCH.—Sermon at 10.30 by Rev. F. A. Wilson Sunday School at 12 M. Y.P.S.C.E. at 4.15. Special Brookfield service at 7 P.M.

CHAPEL.—Sermons by Prof. Tucker, Morning at 10.30. Afternoon at 4.30.

WEST CHURCH.—Preaching service at 10.30 by Rev. Frederic W. Greene. Sunday school at 12 M. Evening at 7 in the vestry, also in Osgood and Abbott districts.

BAPTIST CHURCH.—Preaching at 10.30 by Mr. F. J. Salsman of Newton Theological Seminary. Concert of prayer for Missions at 7 P.M.

ST. AUGUSTINE'S CHURCH.—Services at 8.30 A.M. and 3.30 P.M. 10.30 A.M. High Mass and sermon by Rev. J. J. Ryan.

**Advertised Letters.**

The following is the list of letters advertised Jan. 19, 1891.

Allen, U.	Miller, Agnes (Marian V.)
Barrett, R. L.	Mooney, Phillip
Bristol, Jas. V.	Morrison, Eleanor
Chamberlain, J. Payson	McBride, G. D.
Collins, Joseph W.	Manning, Brian
Cox, C. E.	McDonald, Mary C.
Chase, Mrs. Albe	Morse, Leonard F.
Duffey, Barney	Phelps, Mrs. R. E.
Ellis, Ansel	Philbrick, Floyd
Hanna, T. K.	Reycroft, Miss A. W.
Hyde, The Weavers	Stone, Mrs. Lizzie
McGrath, Elizabeth	Smith, Mrs. Ann
Marsh, A.	Woodruff, Ellen C.
	Williams, Mrs. Geo.

**BIRTHS.**

In North Andover, Jan. 24 a son to Mr. and Mrs. Marcus L. Carey.

In West Parish Jan. 26, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Boutwell.

In Andover, Jan. 24, a son to Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Dinmore.

**MARRIAGES.**

In North Andover, Jan. 23, by Rev. Charles Noyes, Elmer F. Humphrey, of Lynn, to Miss Eliza F. Fuller of North Andover.

In Andover, Jan. 29, by Rev. Frederic Palmer, John R. A. Russell and Mrs. Eunice Hartley of Lawrence.

**DEATHS.**

In North Andover, Jan. 26, Annie, infant daughter of Michael and Ellen Campbell, aged 10 months and 4 days.

In Andover, Jan. 23, Julia B. Nolan, aged 26 years, 23 days.

In Andover, Jan. 31, Bridget Barry, aged 82 years and 1 month.

In Andover, Jan. 26, Dominick McGlynn, aged 3 years.



## THE POET BURNS.

The Supper, Concert and Ball of the Andover Burns Club.

Small wonder is it that all true Scotchmen turn their minds to each recurring January to thoughts of one of the greatest song writers any land ever produced, their countryman, Burns. Who, indeed, like Burns could lift the sadness from the sorrowing by a tender verse? Who, like him, could sing the poor man's lot into an almost rosy path of sweetness and content? And who, indeed, but a Scotchman with that fear of God and love to man that makes the very granite bearing the name grow firmer, harder, and of more genuine worth as you think of its name, could lay claim to such noble thoughts and such sweet melody as the music of the poet Burns.

"From scenes like these old Scotia's grandeur springs,  
That make her loved at home, revered abroad:  
Princes and lords are but the breath of kings,  
An honest man's the noblest work of God."



'Twas a happy company that gathered in Andover to do honor to the poet's name in Abbott Village Hall last Friday evening. All the tickets had been disposed of before the anniversary night, and a large number who desired to go could not procure them. President Jas. Anderson called the gathering to order, and made a few remarks of welcome, and then called upon Rev. F. A. Wilson to ask grace. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. James B. Smith, Lewis Smith, Mrs. J. W. Smith, W. C. Donald, Peter D. Smith and wife, Geo. W. W. Dove and wife, Rev. and Mrs. F. A. Wilson, John L. Smith, David Middleton and wife, John W. Bell, and Mrs. Murray.

The supper was much enjoyed, and was prepared and served by Page & Co. of Lawrence, whose satisfactory manner of catering in Andover is becoming well known, and is being proved by a constantly increasing trade.

After a hearty discussion of the eatables, the company came to order again, and Mr. Anderson made a very appropriate address, in which he said that he regretted the unavoidable absence of Jos. W. Smith. He also read the following letter from Prof. J. W. Churchill:

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY, Jan. 10, 1891.  
My Dear Mr. Saunders:

While it would give me great pleasure to gratify you and your friends by contributing something to the festivities of next Friday evening, still I sincerely regret to say that a most positive professional engagement in St. Johnsbury, Vt., will prevent my being with you.

I am honored in your cordial request, and I give you my best wishes for a most successful commemoration of that marvellous song-writer and poet of the soul, who "found a tone and words for every mood of man's heart. In him was the gentleness, the trembling pity of a woman's heart, with the deep earnestness, the force and passionate ardor of a hero. Tears lie in him, and a consuming fire, as lightning lurks in the drops of a summer cloud." Thomas Carlyle was right in this description of his brother Scotchman.

Yours very truly,  
J. W. CHURCHILL.

The address on Burns by John Saunders pleased the audience very much, and it was prepared with care and thought, particularly appropriate to the occasion. It will be found in full on page 2.

The following was the concert programme:

Part song, "Rantin' Rovin' Robin," Burns  
Miss H. Howard, Miss M. W. Lindsay,  
Wm. Scott, D. S. Lindsay.  
Song, "Bessie, the Maid of Dundee," Root  
Miss Howard.  
Piano duet, Rev. F. A. and Mrs. Wilson.  
Song, "Jessie's Dream," Blockley  
Mr. Lindsay.  
Piano and violin, Mr. and Mrs. Partlow.  
Song, "My Nannie's Awa," Burns  
Miss Lindsay.  
Part song, "Jock o' Hazeldean," Scott  
Quartette.  
Song, "Song of the Emigrant," Corbett  
Mr. Scott.  
Auld Lang Syne.

The concert was, without doubt, the best yet given, and Mr. Lindsay, musical director, deserves much of the credit. The opening number was sung with great vigor and firmness, and the artists received a re-call. "Bessie, the Maid of Dundee," composed by an American lady, is a song not very well known, but its beauty was clearly shown by the excellent voice of Miss Howard. Her high notes were sweet and true, and pronunciation excellent. She received a well deserved encore, rendering "Scotch Lassie, Jean" with equally good effect. Mr. Lindsay sang "Jessie's Dream" well. That beautiful song, "My Nannie's Awa," written by Burns, as sung by Miss Lindsay, delighted the audience, who gave the artist hearty applause. The part

song, "Jock o' Hazeldean," was sung in good time and splendid harmony, and was fully as well enjoyed by many as "Rantin' Robin." Mr. Scott did not sing "The Song of the Emigrant" as well as he is capable of, but he received a re-call, to which he graciously responded. Much praise is due to Miss Kate Howard, who played the accompaniments in an efficient manner. The piano duet by Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, and the violin and piano duet by Mr. and Mrs. Partlow were both executed with much taste, both receiving encore. The singing of Auld Lang Syne by the audience, led by the quartette, brought a very successful concert to a finish.

Immediately after the close of the concert, the hall was speedily cleared for dancing, the intermission being used for a "crack."

"An' each for other's welfare kindly spier'd."

At eleven o'clock the grand march was formed led by Floor Director W. Soutar and Miss Lizzie McLauchlan, followed by the President and Miss Maggie W. Scott. Thirty-six couples participated, and until 1.30 everybody seemed to be eager to "Shak their fit wi' richt guid will," while

"The minutes wing'd their way wi' pleasures."  
The Scotch reels and contras were danced with much vigor.

It was the most successful celebration yet held by the Burns Club, perfect harmony seeming to exist during the entire evening. Mearns, Coutts, Leslie and Lawson in whose hands the arrangements were left, did their work in an extremely satisfactory manner. Such evenings prove that all differences in rank and wealth, as sung by Burns, should be laid aside and all labor for one another.

"Then let us pray that come it may,  
As come it will for a'that,  
That sense and worth o'er a' the earth  
May bear the gree and a' that,  
For a'that, and a'that,  
It's comin' yet, for a'that,  
That man to man, the world o'er  
Shall brethren be for a'that."

Thus passed the Andover celebration of the one hundred and thirty-second anniversary of the birth of Robert Burns. The speeches were good, the supper was excellent, the entertainment a most pleasing one. May the TOWNSMAN, though not a Scotchman, be pardoned for usurping the toastmaster's chair for a moment, and with but the change of the one word italicized, propose a toast in which there will join every citizen of Andover, where there is so much of regard for the Scotchman. Then let us all together sing with Burns:

"O Scotia! . . .  
Long may thy hardy sons of every toll  
Be blest with health and peace and sweet content!  
And oh! may Heaven their simple lives prevent  
From luxury's contagion weak and vile!  
Then how e'er crowns and coronets be rent,  
A virtuous populace may rise the while  
And stand a wall of fire around their much loved isle."

## Abbott Village.

The Burns Club will have a meeting in the Hall to-morrow night at 7.45, to hear the report of the anniversary committee, and for the debate mentioned a few weeks ago.

The Riverside base ball club will give a concert in the village hall, next Friday evening, Feb. 6. A capital program has been arranged including songs by Miss Maggie Donovan and William Scott, clog dances by William and Wilson Knipe and cornet solos by Reuben Eastwood. Tickets will be 15 cents each, and a full house is assured.

John Drury, of Jamaica Plains, was a visitor at Adam Lindsay's, Sunday.

Isaac Gillespie, wife and son of Lowell, spent Friday with friends in the village.

The Cricket Club will have a dance in G. A. R. Hall Saturday evening, Feb. 7. The tickets, limited to 35 couples, are for sale by members of the committee. Gents, 50; ladies, 25 cents.

The schools closed Wednesday afternoon to allow the teachers to attend the teacher's meeting.

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

## ESSEX, SS.

**Probate Court.**  
To the next of Kin, Creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of HORACE WILSON, late of Andover, in said county, carpenter, deceased, Intestate.

WHEREAS, application has been made to said court to grant a letter of Administration on the estate of said deceased, to Joseph W. Fulton of Methuen, in the county of Essex.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Salem, in said county of Essex, on the third Monday of February, next, at nine o'clock, before noon, to show cause, if any you have, against granting the same.  
And said Joseph W. Fulton is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the ANDOVER TOWNSMAN, printed at Andover, the last publication to be two days at least before said Court.  
Witness, ROLLIN E. HARMON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.  
J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

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## BALLARDVALE.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Haigh and Miss Sadie Colby, of Salem, N.H., have been visiting at Mr. Samuel Morris' this week.

Miss Waterich of Springfield is visiting her sister, Mrs. Philip Noessel.

Mr. Frank Fletcher of Tilton, N.H., with his sisters, Mrs. J. S. Stark and Mrs. F. G. Haynes, are in Trenton, N.J., their former home, for a fortnight.

A musicale was given by Mrs. Kate Mearns Monday evening. About thirty music lovers were present.

The Advertiser has it that the directors of the Craighead & Kints Co. have recommended to the stockholders to adopt a "profit sharing system," and to open an employees savings account.

The annual meeting of the Cosmopolitan Singing Society was held last week. Wm. Froesch was elected President; Emil Hoffmann, vice-President; Philip Noessel, Secretary; Carl Hoffmann, Treasurer; and a board of trustees as follows, Henry Isler, E. Hoffmann, J. Klitzerer, Gustave Techauder, and Lothar von Grave.

Mr. H. F. Wilson has bought a magnificent rough-coated St. Bernard dog that has a pedigree of high-blooded ancestors of a startling length. He is imported, and is a grandson of the celebrated "Pinnimmon," and a blood relative of the St. Bernard which was lately bought for £1300. Mr. Wilson has several handsome specimens of this breed now.

A pleasant event of the season was a surprise party given last Monday evening at Bradlee Hall in honor of Miss Mattie Stark, oldest daughter of Selectman Stark, the occasion being her birthday. A large number of young people from Lawrence and Andover, together with her many friends here in the place, made a party which comfortably filled the hall, and a party who could have a better time socially would be hard to find. There were games and dancing, the grand march being led by Miss Stark and Mr. Lawson of Lawrence. Partlow furnished music. An oxidized silver piano lamp was presented to Miss Stark, Mr. Edward Miller making a very clever presentation speech. Lawrence friends gave an elegant album, also. The party broke up about midnight, all agreeing that it had been a success, and wishing Miss Stark many anniversaries of the day.

Mr. Wilson introduced Prof. Joseph Kimball, Wednesday evening, as an old friend of the audience, and indeed he is and will continue to be if he always pleases them as much as he did in telling them something about "The Intelligence of Animals." Prof. Kimball can impart more useful knowledge to his hearers in an evening than a great many lecturers could in a week, and at the same time in a way that never fails to fix it in your memory. This lecture goes to prove that dumb animals possess something beside instinct to direct their actions, in short, that they often seem to have reasoning powers. Many remarkable instances were cited in support of this theory, and of course a good many humorous ones, too, were introduced as usual.

The dance of the Independence Drum Corps last Friday night was the most successful one they have ever given in point of attendance and financially. Guests were present from Andover and Lawrence and included the Essex Drum Corps who attended in a body, and who favored the company with several selections. The boys are "bustlers" and deserve patronage.

Willie Adams lost a portion of a finger in some gearing of a card in the mill the other day. Several other fingers were badly jammed, but he is a plucky lad and will soon be as good as ever.

Robbie Ewing, who left the weaver-room of the mill to take another position, was presented with a purse containing a sum of money by the weavers, as a remembrance.

The Craighead & Kints Company have declared a semi-annual dividend of three per cent.

Mrs. Kelly and son, of Aubundale, have been visiting Mrs. Kelly's sisters, the Misses Brown.

The Y. P. S. C. E. of the Union Church will hold a sociable in the vestry next Wednesday evening. Refreshments will be served and an entertainment provided.

Miss Mary Kelly who lived just over the Tewksbury line at the "second crossing," died Wednesday, of typhoid fever. She was very well known here.

D. H. Poor is somewhat better.

N. D. Mayo of Wakefield, was in town Wednesday.

Mrs. Margaret McGovern, wife of Thos. McGovern, died yesterday morning after a short illness. She was a native of Cambridge. She leaves seven children, the youngest ten days old. Her age was 38 years.

## YOU DON'T CARE.



ETHER or not we sold more goods last year than the year before, but, nevertheless, it is a fact that we sold much more, and as people are not buying of us for the pleasure of giving us their money, but in order that they may get in return for the same an equivalent in goods, it proves conclusively that the people

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A party of about twenty-five, most of them being connected with the Methodist Church, enjoyed a sleigh-ride to North Reading, on Wednesday evening. Silas Buck furnished conveyance for a majority of the party. The remainder went in single teams. They returned at midnight, declaring that words could not describe their enjoyment of the affair.

## Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

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## Chinese Laundry.

## QUONG KEE,

Has taken the Laundry on Park St., and will guarantee the people of Andover first-class work.

SHIRTS, washing and ironing, 10 cts.  
IRONING, 9 cts.  
CUFFS, per pair, 4 cts.  
COLLARS, 2 cts.  
Work delivered in 3 days.

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## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

## ESSEX, SS.

**Probate Court.**  
To the Heirs-at-Law, Next of Kin, Creditors, and all other Persons interested in the estate of MARGARET E. GLEASON, late of Andover, in said County, widow, deceased.

WHEREAS, A certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, by MOORE E. WHITE, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named as Moore E. White, and that he may be exempt from giving a surety or securities on his bond, for the reasons alleged in said petition.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Salem, in said county of Essex, on the first Monday of February, next, at nine o'clock before noon, to show cause, if any you have, against the same.

And said Moore E. White is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once a week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper called the ANDOVER TOWNSMAN, printed at Andover, the last publication to be two days at least before said Court.  
Witness, ROLLIN E. HARMON, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fifth day of January, in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one.  
J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

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A wood-lot of 31 acres, more or less, situated partly in Middleton and partly in North Andover. Terms very reasonable.  
For particulars inquire of WILLIAM BERRY, Middleton, Mass.

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The well known property of  
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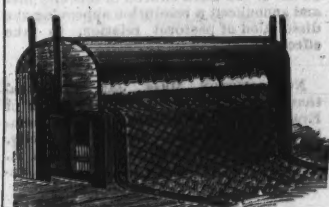
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Upholstering, Shade Work.

Mattress Work and Furniture Packing a Specialty.



## AWFUL MINING HORROR.

A HUNDRED AND TEN MINERS  
KILLED OUTRIGHT

By an Explosion of Fire Damp in a  
Pennsylvania Mine—Eighty Bodies Re-  
covered So Far—At Least Sixty Fam-  
ilies Left Homeless and Without a  
Protector.

Pittsburg, Jan. 28.—A special from  
Scottsdale, Pa., says:

By an explosion of fire damp in the  
mammoth shaft of the H. C. Frick Coke  
company 110 miners were hurled into  
eternity and a number seriously injured.  
The explosion occurred shortly after 9  
o'clock and it is supposed, was the result  
of the ignition of a miner's oil lamp. The  
after-damp which followed the explosion  
suffocated nearly every workman. A few  
men realizing the awful situation fell to  
the ground, thereby preventing the gas  
from striking them.

There is not a soul left to tell the story  
of the dreadful calamity. The persons not  
killed are in such a critical condition that  
their deaths are momentarily expected.  
Up to this writing sixty bodies have been  
recovered, all without a sign of life.

The fire which broke out after the ex-  
plosion was soon extinguished by the im-  
mense fans which were put in operation.  
The gas has about all been driven from  
the pit, and the work of rescuing the en-  
trapped miners has been commenced.  
General manager Lynch of the H. C.  
Frick Coke company is on the scene help-  
ing to devise means for rescuing the per-  
ished workmen.

The mammoth plant embraces 500 ovens,  
one of the largest plants in the coke  
region, but it is hard of access. It is situ-  
ated near the United works, where an ex-  
plosion recently destroyed the entire  
shaft. The affair has cast a gloom over  
the entire coke region, and hundreds of  
miners are flocking to the scene of the dis-  
aster offering assistance.

Language is too weak to describe the  
scenes at the mine. Horror is piled on  
horror. The news spread throughout the  
entire coke region with great rapidity  
and everybody was awe-stricken.

The coffins have already been ordered  
for eighty persons from Mount Pleasant  
undertakers, and it is understood that  
the Frick company will bear the expense  
of the same.

The only man who escaped from the fa-  
tal flame was Mine Boss Eaton.

Ex-Mine Inspector Keighley, the superin-  
tendent of the fatal shaft, is nearly dis-  
tressed. It is a singular fact that mis-  
fortune seems to have followed him. His  
experience in the Hill Farm disaster re-  
sulted in his tendering his resignation as  
mine inspector.

Master Workman Peter Wise, ex-Mas-  
ter Workman Kerfoot, James McBride,  
Mike Dismar and John R. Byrne, Sec-  
retary Parker and James Keegan, all prom-  
inent labor leaders, have left for Mammoth  
to render any assistance in their power,  
financially or otherwise, to the stricken or  
bereaved families. It has been estimated  
that there are sixty wives and families  
left wholly dependent on the charity of  
the world for sustenance by this disaster.  
In fact, they are almost penniless, as the  
plant has not been running full for some  
time and work has been exceedingly  
scarce since the dullness in the demand  
for coke began.

Every means possible will be resorted to  
to supply the widowed mothers and their  
children with the necessities of life. The  
Frick company will be liberal in this  
direction, and it is understood that a sub-  
scription paper will shortly be circulated  
to obtain money to support the unfor-  
tunate families.

Master Workman Peter Wise has ad-  
dressed a letter to the miners and cokers  
of the region asking for aid.

Will Close Their Bars.

PORTLAND, Me., Jan. 28.—Considerable  
interest has been felt over the action of  
the hotel keepers in reference to the re-  
fusal of transient guests, in retaliation  
for the recent vigorous enforcement of the  
liquor law. The coming of one or two  
thousand delegates to the Christian En-  
deavor convention next week made the  
matter one of much importance. The  
committee of entertainment have received  
ample assurance of hospitality in private  
houses for all who might come. This will  
not now be needed, as the hotel men have  
decided to close their bars, in accordance  
with the law, and keep their houses open.

Chandler's Open Fight.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 27.—Senator  
Chandler published in The Monitor last  
evening, over his own signature, a long  
article in opposition to the proposed in-  
crease of capital stock of the Boston and  
Maine and the Concord and Montreal  
railroads. The bill increasing the stock  
of these roads will be called up in the  
house to-day and ordered to a third reading.

Farmer Searle's Case.

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 28.—In the United  
States circuit court a receipt was filed in  
the case of the United States vs. Oliver E.  
Searle, a Warwick farmer, who refused to  
answer the census enumerator's ques-  
tions. Searle demurred that the indict-  
ment charged no offense punishable un-  
der the law. Denrurrer overruled and  
defendant ordered to plead.

Printers Protest.

BOSTON, Jan. 28.—The members of the  
Boston Typographical union with allied  
labor organizations held a mass meeting  
at Faneuil hall Saturday evening to pro-  
test against the action of The Boston Post  
in locking out its union printers. There  
were numerous short speeches and a  
series of resolutions in condemnation.

Mr. Potter Will Leave His Flock.

HARTFORD, Jan. 28.—The council of the  
Congregational church called to act on  
the resignation of the Rev. Lester L.  
Potter of the Park church in this city met  
and announced a resolution approving the  
dissolution of pastoral relation, to take  
effect Jan. 31.

Finds Not Guilty.

NORTHAMPTON, Mass., Jan. 27.—Jona-  
than B. Davis, accused of the murder of  
Eva M. Holden of Amherst last Septem-  
ber, was arraigned and pleaded not guilty.  
T. G. Spaulding of this city and F. A.  
Paige of Amherst were assigned as coun-  
sel, but no date was fixed for trial.

Served Him Right.

PROVIDENCE, Jan. 28.—Robert Wood of  
Pawtucket was sentenced in the United  
States court to one month's imprisonment  
in Providence county jail and to pay \$500  
and costs for making a false pension af-  
davit.

As Predicted.

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—A cable message  
was received in this city stating that the  
Brazilian syndicate continues to buy rub-  
ber largely in Para and prices have ad-  
vanced 90 cents a pound for upper river  
fine rubber.

## PFEFFER 101, INGALLS 88.

The Senator-Elect from Kansas Said to  
Be an Advocate of Low Tariffs.

TOPEKA, Kan., Jan. 28.—The joint con-  
vention of the legislature to elect a United  
States senator to succeed John J. Ingalls  
was held here. Lieutenant Governor Felt  
took the chair. The roll of both bodies  
was called and resulted as follows: Wil-  
liam Pfeffer 101, John J. Ingalls 88, Blair 3,  
Morrill 1, Kelly 1. The chair then de-  
clared William Pfeffer senator-elect to  
succeed John J. Ingalls. The result was  
received with applause from the Alliance  
members.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—President Liv-  
ingston of the Georgia Alliance, who is  
also a member of the next house, says  
Pfeffer will have to stand by the Ocala  
platform. Livingston claims that Pfeffer  
is an advocate of low tariff.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The defeat of  
Senator Ingalls is variously commented  
on here. The Democrats were in hopes  
that he would be returned on account of  
his attitude in the cloture and election  
bill matters. His Republican colleagues  
tried to persuade him not to take a pro-  
nounced position on either the silver or  
the election bill, as it would do him no  
good, but his friends in Kansas thought  
that, if he showed that he was not in any  
tag-team with the cardinal principles of  
the Alliance, he might secure enough  
votes from men who had heretofore been  
Republicans to elect him. His bid was  
not accepted and his friends here think  
that it would have been better for his  
future had he pursued a course in line  
with the great majority of his party.

## VERMONT FARMERS SUFFER

From the Recent Decision Regarding the  
Bounty on Maple Sugar.

RUTLAND, Vt., Jan. 28.—The sentiments  
of Vermont farmers toward the McKinley  
tariff bill have undergone a change. They  
had made preparations to largely increase  
and improve the yield this year. The  
decision of the attorney general that no  
bounty can be paid this year on sugar  
produced before July 1 has rendered all  
their preparations useless for the present  
season, and a large number have gone to  
a considerable outlay, for which they can  
get no compensation for another year.  
Many small producers can ill afford the  
expense and the inconvenience, for which  
they will get no return this season.

The farmers are not the only sufferers.  
Farmers in the state which make a spe-  
cialty of the manufacture of sap buckets,  
evaporators and other utensils used in  
maple sugar making, were overrun with  
orders from producers and had made ex-  
tensive preparations for handling a largely  
increased trade. Now the orders are be-  
ing cancelled and the manufacturers suf-  
fer. Before the announcement of the de-  
cision more than 500 applications for  
licenses had been received from sugar  
producers at the office of the collector of  
internal revenue.

## WANTED TO SEE THE SHOW.

Bad Boys Create Considerable Consternation  
in a Fall River Theatre.

FALL RIVER, Jan. 28.—A small panic  
was created in the Academy of Music  
Saturday night during the performance  
of "Jed Prouty." During the day five  
boys, aged from 14 to 17 years, secreted  
themselves between the floor of the upper  
gallery and the ceiling of the dress circle.  
After 8 o'clock they attempted to crawl  
out, and, while doing so, stumbled over a  
quantity of unused stage effects, includ-  
ing a mirror. The crashing of glass was  
followed by the jingling of bells and the  
snapping of the light sheathing. The  
audience became alarmed and made a  
rush for the door. Richard Golden, who  
was playing Jed Prouty, stopped the per-  
formance and, stepping to the front of the  
stage, urged the flying people to sit down.  
When things quieted somewhat, police  
officers made a search and found Thomas  
O'Neill, William Brennan and William  
Shay in an out-of-the-way place, trem-  
bling with fright at the rumper they had  
caused. The boys were locked up and  
will be tried in the district court, charged  
with breaking and entering. O'Neill had  
a pocket full of false keys on his person.  
The other two boys escaped.

## Maine Press Association.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 28.—The Maine  
Press association met and organized in  
the senate chamber at the state house by  
choosing the following officers: President,  
J. A. Smith of Skowhegan; vice president,  
C. Chilcott of Ellsworth; F. G. Rich of Bar-  
 Harbor; corresponding secretary, F. A.  
Dexter of Skowhegan; treasurer, W. B.  
Lapham of Augusta. Dr. J. F. Hill of  
Augusta was chosen essayist and Mark P.  
Pendleton of Belfast was chosen poet for  
next year.

## Smuggled Tobacco Seized.

HAVANA, Jan. 28.—The police were re-  
cently informed that large quantities of  
tobacco were being smuggled into this  
city from Key West and a watch was set  
upon the steamer Arkansas. This re-  
sulted in the seizure of ninety-one baskets,  
most of which contained tobacco, the  
whole weighing about one ton. These  
baskets are used for exporting fruit to  
Key West and are supposed to come back  
empty.

## Must Get Proof Some Other Way.

BOSTON, Jan. 30.—It has been the cus-  
tom for police officers, in citizens' dress,  
to visit unlicensed places and buy liquor,  
in order to obtain evidence of illegal  
sales. Several members of the force who  
were not in the habit of using liquor have  
thus acquired a taste for it, and the board  
of police has ordered that in future other  
means shall be used to get evidence. It is  
said that small bottles with tunnels will  
be used by the officers.

## Twelve Cents a Pound is Correct.

NEW YORK, Jan. 29.—The United States  
board of general appraisers rendered a  
decision upon a test case as to the proper  
classification of goat hair under the tariff  
act of Oct. 3, 1890. The decision sustains  
the collector at St. Albans, Vt., who  
levied a duty of 12 cents a pound, under  
paragraph 377 of schedule K of the new  
act.

## A Revelation.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The silver pool  
investigation yesterday made some start-  
ling developments concerning Don Cam-  
eron. It is stated that by a combination  
with the Democrats the silver speculation  
of Don Cameron was kept in the back-  
ground until after his re-election by the  
Pennsylvania legislature.

## In the Supreme Court's Hands.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The argument  
for the British government in the Behring  
sea case was concluded in the United  
States supreme court and the matter is  
now in the hands of the court for de-  
cision.

The schooner D. K. Baker sailed from  
Charleston, S. C., for New York with her  
crew in iron.

## OF NATIONAL INTEREST.

BUSINESS OF THE FIFTY-FIRST  
CONGRESS, SECOND SESSION.

Friday, Jan. 25.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 25.—In the senate,  
Mr. Aldrich's cloture resolution was  
taken up and made the unfinished busi-  
ness, in place of the election bill.  
In the house, the District of Columbia  
appropriation bill was passed. The naval  
appropriation bill was discussed in com-  
mittee of the whole.

Saturday, Jan. 26.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 26.—In the senate  
there was a debate on the cloture resolu-  
tion of Mr. Aldrich. His announcement  
that he wanted the vote on it taken to-day  
led to severe strictures by Messrs. Gor-  
man and Teller.

In the house Mr. Conger of Indiana  
pressed his resolution for a broadening of  
the investigation of Pension Commission-  
ers Ream. The naval appropriation  
bill was debated in committee of the  
whole.

Sunday, Jan. 27.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 27.—In the senate,  
the election bill was laid aside, on motion  
of Mr. Wolcott, and the appropriation  
bill taken up by a vote of 55 to 34, one Re-  
publican senator being absent and un-  
paired.

In the house the journal was approved  
after a struggle. The naval appropriation  
bill was passed.

Wednesday, Jan. 28.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—In the senate,  
Thursday's journal was approved. No  
action was taken on the apportionment  
bill.

In the house, the military academy bill  
was under consideration in committee of  
the whole.

Thursday, Jan. 29.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29.—The senate dis-  
cussed the apportionment bill, and the  
house considered the military academy  
appropriation bill.

Concerning New Hampshire's Schools.

CONCORD, N. H., Jan. 28.—A bill has  
been introduced into the legislature and  
is now before the committee on education  
which seeks practically to repeal the  
town system of public schools. This  
movement has been taken in face of the  
fact that the commission for the revision  
of the statutes have retained the town  
system, believing it to be in every way  
superior to the old district system. It is  
generally predicted that the bill will find  
very few supporters in either house.

## Violated the Election Law.

NEW BEDFORD, Jan. 27.—William J.  
Baldwin, who was arrested for having an  
official ballot in his possession outside of  
the voting enclosure, and was fined \$500,  
withdrew his appeal from his sentence  
and the judgment was affirmed. Unless  
the fine is paid Baldwin will have to serve  
three months.

## FEASTING ON HUMAN FLESH.

Famished Wolves Thinning the Popula-  
tion in a Portion of Manitoba.

WINNIPEG, Jan. 28.—Rev. J. Settee,  
minister among the Indian tribes  
around Lakes Winnipeg and Manitoba,  
states that scores of Indians hunting on  
the east side of Lake Winnipeg, not very  
far from Blood Vein river, near Dog  
Head, were visited by a pack of wolves,  
about 100 in number. They attacked the  
camps and killed many Indians and de-  
voured them. One Indian cudgeled  
and killed twenty wolves, another Indian  
climbed up a tree with his gun and shot  
down twenty. One mounted a stage,  
which was not very high, and the wolves  
reached him and ate him. There is a  
great panic among the Indians in that  
quarter. They say that there are no deer,  
consequently the wolves are mad with  
hunger.

## Nothing Left of the Mill.

STERLING, Ill., Jan. 28.—The Rock  
falls paper mill was blown up by an ex-  
plosion of "bleach" last evening. The  
mill was demolished. John Myers and  
Alonso Bell have been taken from the  
ruins dead. Three or four other workmen  
were supposed to be in the ruins. The ac-  
cident happened just when the day and  
night forces were changing places.

## Boston and Maine's Capital Stock.

AUGUSTA, Me., Jan. 29.—The railroad  
committee gave a hearing, Hon. William  
L. Putnam of Portland, attorney for the  
Boston and Maine railroad, appearing in  
favor of an act allowing the road to in-  
crease the capital stock and the committee  
decided to report "ought to pass" on the  
bill, and such report will be made by Mr.  
Ayer of Oakland.

## BOSTON PRODUCE MARKET.

Tuesday, Jan. 27.

FLOUR—Firm. Fine and super, \$3 35 to 3 50;  
extra second, \$3 35 to 3 45; Minnesota bakers,  
clear and straight, \$3 35 to 3 45; winter wheat,  
straight and roller, \$3 35 to 3 50; winter patents,  
\$3 50 to 3 60.

CORN—Firm. High mixed 50 to 55¢; steamers  
yellow, 45 to 50¢; mixed, 45 to 50¢; to 50¢;  
to 50¢.

BEANS—Prime steers, 7½ to 8½¢; good  
steers, 7½ to 8½¢; rungs and loins, 12½ to 15¢;  
rounds, 10 to 12½¢; loins, 14 to 17½¢.

STOCKS—Firm. Western spring lambs, 6½ to  
7½¢; eastern, 7 to 8½¢; fall lambs, 6 to 7½¢;  
good, 5 to 6¢; Chicago mutton, 6½ to 7½¢;  
heavy Brightons, 7½ to 8½¢; eastern, 6½ to 7½¢;  
for choice, fair to good, 5½ to 6½¢; western  
poor to good, 7½ to 8½¢; good to choice, 9 to 10¢;  
fancy, 10½ to 11¢.

FOUR—Fair. Western turkeys, 12 to 14¢;  
small and northern, 14 to 15¢; northern, 15 to 16¢;  
12 to 14¢; fair to good, 13 to 14¢; good, 14 to 15¢;  
fowls, 9 to 10¢.

BUTTER—Quiet. Western creamery, extra, 27 to  
28¢; New York and Vermont, extra creamery,  
28 to 29¢; eastern creamery, extra, 24 to 25¢.

CHEESE—Firm. Choice northern, 10 to 10½¢;  
with western at 9½ to 10¢; jobbing lots are 1½¢  
higher. Liverpool quoted at 50¢.

EGGS—Eastern. Eastern extras, 28 to 30¢; extra  
Vermont and New Hampshire, 29 to 30¢; Nova  
Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Is-  
land, 28 to 30¢; western, 28 to 30¢; jobbing  
prices higher.

POTATOES—Dull. Houlton tubers \$1 00 to  
1 05; Arcostocks, \$1; Houlton roses, \$1 00; Arc-  
stock roses, 90¢; choice burbanks, 80¢; ordinary  
to good, 80¢; sweet potatoes are firm; Jersey  
double heads, \$2 50 to 3 00.

## Watertown Cattle Market, Jan. 29.

AMOUNT OF LIVE STOCK AT MARKET.

Cattle Sheep and Swine

This week.....2479 1267 22,181  
Last week.....2479 1267 22,181  
Year ago, Jan. 23, 1875 9239 22,859

## NUMBER FROM THE SEVERAL STATES.

Cattle Sheep and Swine

Maine.....140 250 100  
New Hampshire.....120 418 197  
Vermont.....260 676 844  
Massachusetts.....82 328 200  
Western.....1800 940 28,000

Total.....2479 1267 22,181  
Numbers of cars over different roads—Boston  
and Lowell 28, Fitchburg 1000, Eastern 10; total,  
1028.

PRICES OF MARKET BEEF—A few choice, \$5 50  
to 6 00; extra, \$5 50 to 6 00; first quality, \$5 00 to  
5 50; second quality, \$4 50 to 5 00; third quality,  
\$4 00 to 4 50.

PRICES OF STORE CATTLE—Working oxen, per  
pair, \$6 to 135; farrow cows, \$10 to 30; fancy  
cows, \$50 to 65; choice cows and calves, \$35 to 45;  
yearlings, \$10 to 20; 2 to 3 years old, \$15 to 25;  
three years old, \$20 to 30.

## THE NORTH SALEM TRAGEDY.

A Former Employee of Reed Tells Con-  
flicting Stories—Murphy and Wood are  
Held for Murder.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., Jan. 29.—The ex-  
amination regarding the murder of El-  
bridge G. Reed, the milkman, at North  
Salem, on Thursday night last, was re-  
sumed at the court house before Coroner  
Taylor. The first witness called was  
Smith, who formerly worked for Reed on  
the farm and who claimed that Reed owed  
him \$40. Smith was arrested by a Haver-  
hill officer and brought to this city by  
Capt. Ryan.

He told conflicting stories regarding his  
working at Reed's farm and also as to his  
acquaintance with Murphy and Wood,  
and the entire morning's session was con-  
sumed in listening to his story. It is the  
opinion of officers conducting the case  
that Smith knows more about the matter  
than he is willing to divulge, and in all  
probability he will be detained, as was  
Frank Magee, who, after testifying, was  
held in \$200 bonds for his appearance at  
the April term of court as a witness, and  
in default of bail was committed to jail.

Capt. Ryan of the Haverhill police was  
the next witness. He testified to the affair  
being reported to him by Officer Caswell,  
who met Barry on Washington square  
after he returned from North Salem.  
Capt. Ryan has also in his possession the  
confession made by Wood after being ar-  
rested by the Haverhill officers. This con-  
fession, which has been fully published,  
was introduced as testimony.

The jury rendered a verdict that El-  
bridge G. Reed came to his death at North  
Salem at the hands of Daniel Murphy and  
Frank Wood and that they be held as  
principals, while Mrs. Reed was an access-  
ory after the act was committed.

The prisoners, who are now confined in  
jail here, will be given a hearing in the  
police court next Saturday morning.

## A MYSTERIOUS CASE.

An Unknown Young Man Found in a  
Stupor—He is Silent About Himself.

SALEM, Mass., Jan. 29.—Last Monday  
afternoon a young man about 25 years old,  
well dressed, called at a boarding house  
on Central street and hired a room, giving  
his name as Charles Smith of Jonesboro,  
Me., although he said he had not been  
there for years, and was a traveling man.  
He went to the room, and no one has  
seen him leave it for meals or other pur-  
poses since that time. Yesterday his  
boarding mistress, failing to get any re-  
sponse to repeated calls at his door, no-  
tified the police, who found the man on  
the bed in a sort of stupor, unable to walk  
and only able to speak in whispers. He  
was taken to the hospital for treatment,  
but refused to give any account of himself  
beyond saying he was on the way to  
Florida and that a friend had taken his  
watch to Maine to get money. Since he  
has been in Salem no one has called to see  
him and the case is a mysterious one. He  
had the appearance of one not accustomed  
to hard work.

## HERE'S A SENSATION!

A Statement That Hon. H. E. Taubeneck  
Was a Convict in Ohio.

COLUMBUS, O., Jan. 29.—Last week, Ward-  
en Dyer of the Ohio penitentiary received a  
letter from Illinois, accompanied by a  
photograph of Hon. H. E. Taubeneck,  
Alliance member of the Illinois legisla-  
ture. The photograph was recognized  
by officers and prisoners as that of W. H.  
Rodgers, who was received at the peni-  
tentiary from Wayne county in 1885, for  
forgery. He was paroled Aug. 7, 1888, on  
the strength of what has developed to be  
forged letters from the judge who sen-  
tenced him, and from Fred Woods of In-  
dianapolis, who claimed he committed  
the crime for which Rogers was con-  
victed, and from P. E. Laughlin of  
Yountstown, O., who was to give him  
employment. He left the state as soon as  
he was released and has not been heard  
of since.

The description of Taubeneck and Rogers  
tallies exactly as to build and  
complexion, and even to the fact that  
they each write with their left hand.

## BRIBERY IN WASHINGTON.

A Democrat Offers to Prove That Mr.  
Squire's Election Was Purchased.

TACOMA, Wash., Jan. 29.—A sensation  
has been caused by Representative Frame,  
Democratic member from Shoshone  
county, openly stating that he was offered  
\$100,000 and then \$5000 to vote for  
Senator Squire by a man who was vouch-  
ered for by Squire's private secretary as being  
all right in any offer he made. Frame  
will testify before the investigating com-  
mittee. Representative Hutchinson is  
quoted as having stated that he was  
offered a bribe to vote for Squire, but it is  
reported that he will refuse to testify, pre-  
ferring to go to jail for contempt. Senator  
Long charges that he knows of two sen-  
ators, each of whom received a \$2000 check  
for his vote; that one became frightened  
and tore up the check and that another  
senator recovered the pieces and holds  
them as damaging evidence.

## Frederick Hale's Case.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., Jan. 29.—Frederick  
A. Hale of Hinsdale, who killed his  
brother Henry in a family quarrel last  
May, was arraigned for trial in the su-  
perior court, charged with manslaughter.  
He pleaded guilty of assault and battery  
and the plea was accepted by the district  
attorney. This is the celebrated Hinsdale  
fratricide case, in which the murder was  
followed by suicide of the father. Hale  
was tried at the July term last year, but  
the jury disagreed. Hale will be sentenced  
later.

## McAuliffe Will Meet All Come.

NEW YORK, Jan. 30.—Billy Madden re-  
cently issued a challenge backing Joe Mc-  
Auliffe to fight Jim Corbett or any one  
else for \$5000 a side. Madden was on hand  
at The Police Gazette yesterday ready to  
post the money, but no Corbett repre-  
sentative appeared. Madden said he would  
back McAuliffe against any man in the  
world, not barring Sullivan, although he  
admits that John L. is out of the fighting  
business.

## Plaintiff Gets \$20 Damages.

BIDDEFORD, Me., Jan. 27.—The contents  
of the sealed verdict rendered by the jury  
in the false imprisonment suit of Deputy  
Sheriff Small vs. City Marshal Tarbox  
was read in court and awarded \$20 da-  
mages to the plaintiff. Most of the costs of  
the trial will fall to the plaintiff.

## Australia Speaks Up.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—The colonies of Aus-  
tralia have asked the home government to  
accord them the privilege possessed by  
Canada of negotiating commercial treaties  
with foreign countries under the sanction  
of the foreign office.

## Lymph and Blood Poisoning.

LONDON, Jan. 29.—A young English  
lad, suffering from consumption, who  
was treated by the Koch method for two  
weeks, has since died at Cannes of blood  
poisoning.

## H. P. WRIGHT,

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Something New.



## NEAR TO NATURE'S HEART.

I'm alone to-night in the shadowy wood  
That murmurs afar like a chiding mood,  
For the wandering wind, in a fitful mood,  
Are playing a march on the towering trees,  
And the balsam firs are sighing soft  
To the gentle touch of the evening breeze.

I have pitched my tent on a mossy bank,  
And kindled a fire before the door,  
Where the flames leap up with many a prunk,  
From the pithy knots that hiss and roar.  
While I turn my back on a wooden spit,  
And the grateful odors upward pour.

How sweet to the taste is the simplest dish  
When the wood-cyprines pour their flavors rare!  
Ye hopped-up kings in vain may wish  
In a banquet hall to rich to share  
As regales the palate of him who drinks  
Of the sylvan stream and the tonic air.

But now the evening meal is past,  
And the wings of flame have flown away  
From their nest of coals, now fading fast,  
And drowning deep in the ashes gray,  
And to me, when alone, draws Nature near,  
And talks in a sweet, familiar way.

She whispers love from every breeze,  
And laughs in the brooklet soft and low,  
And, down through the misty limbs of trees,  
She looks on me from the stars that glow  
As a mother's eye, when the beams of love  
On her first-born babe begin to flow.

And I, as a child in the mother's arms,  
O'ercome with sleep and with love caressed,  
Full far removed from the world's alarms,  
Lie down in the soft embrace of rest,  
While Nature chants her lullaby song  
And soothes me to sleep on her gentle breast.

—Forest and Stream.

## AN UNCLE'S SURPRISE

An elderly man, shabbily attired, was seen walking through one of the fashionable streets of a large city one cold December day. His coat was of a coarse gray and had evidently seen hard service. The traveler walked slowly along examining carefully, as he passed, the names on the different doorplates. He finally paused before a dwelling of showy exterior, which, if we may credit the testimony of the plate upon the door, was occupied by Mr. Alexander Beaumont.

"Alexander Beaumont! Yes, that's the name," murmured the traveler to himself, as he ascended the steps and rang the doorbell.

His summons was answered by a footman, who, after a moment's scrutiny, said roughly, "Well, what do you want?"

"Is Mr. Beaumont at home?" asked the old man, without heeding the intentional rudeness.

"No; he is not."

"Then perhaps I can see his wife?"

"I think it very doubtful; but I will go and see."

The servant withdrew without asking the old man to enter, although the day was very cold, and his clothing seemed to be hardly sufficient to protect him from its inclemency.

Mrs. Beaumont was reclining on a sofa in a room handsomely furnished. The last new magazine was in her hand, and her eyes were listlessly glancing over its pages. She was interrupted in her reading by the entrance of the servant.

"Well, what now?" she inquired.

"There is a man down stairs who wants to see you, ma'am."

"What a gentleman, you mean?"

"No, ma'am," said Charles stoutly; "it isn't a gentleman at all, for he has got on an old gray coat, and he has not got any gloves on."

"You didn't show him into the parlor, did you?"

The man shook his head.

"You did right, and you had better tell him I'm not at home."

"Mrs. Beaumont is not at home," said Charles, reappearing at the door.

"I suppose that means she is engaged," said the old man. "I think she will see me when she learns who I am. Tell her I am her husband's uncle and my name is Henry Beaumont."

The man servant returned and delivered the message.

"Good heavens!" said the mistress, "it ain't that old fellow who strolled off years ago, nobody knows where. I did hope he never would come back again. And now I suppose he is as poor as a rat and wants help. Well, he won't get it if I can help it, but I suppose I must see him."

She descended the stairs and received the old man at the door.

"Are you Mrs. Beaumont?" he inquired.

"Yes, I am the wife of Mr. Beaumont, and I suppose from your language you are—"

"His uncle Henry! Ah me! I have been gone so many years, and it does me good to return to my kindred."

The old man's features worked convulsively as thoughts of the past came over his mind. Mrs. Beaumont stood holding the door, as if waiting for him to depart. She did not give him any invitation to enter.

"Is your husband well?" inquired the visitor, looking in as if he expected an invitation to enter and refresh himself.

"He is. If you have any message for him you may leave it with me, and I will deliver it," said Mrs. Beaumont.

"You may tell him I have called," said the visitor in a disappointed tone, "and that I would have liked to have seen him."

"I will tell him," said the lady, as she was about to close the door.

"Hold! There is one question more. What has become of Alexander's sister Anna?"

"I don't know much about her," was the rather disdainful reply; "but I think she married a clerk or some such person. His name is Lowe, and he lives in Norton street. Is that all?"

"That is all."

The old man turned his steps toward the street indicated with many forebodings lest his second visit might be as unwelcome as the first.

"Charles," said Mrs. Beaumont as

she closed the door, "if that old man comes again be sure and not forget to tell him I am not at home."

Norton street was not a fashionable street nor was the two-story dwelling occupied by William Lowe either handsome or costly. It was marked, however, by an air of neatness which indicated that its tenants were not regardless of outward appearance.

We will take the liberty of introducing the reader to a little sitting room, where Mrs. Lowe and her three children were seated. The furniture, though of a kind that would hardly be selected for a drawing room, had a comfortable, homelike appearance, which amply satisfied the desire of those who derived their happiness from a higher and less mutable force than outside show. Mrs. Lowe was engaged in an employment which is tabooed in all fashionable society—that is, darning stockings.

Emma, a girl of 10, was brushing the hearth, which the ashes from the grate, in which a blazing fire was now burning, had somewhat disordered, while Mary, who was two years younger, was reading. Charles, a little rogue of 5, who had a smiling face which could not help looking roguish, was stroking the cat the wrong way, much to the disturbance of poor tabby, who had quietly settled herself down to pleasant dreams on the hearthrug.

All at once a loud knock was heard at the door.

"Emma," said the mother, "you may go to the door and see who it is, and invite the person in, for it is a cold day."

Emma immediately obeyed the mother's directions.

"Is Mrs. Lowe at home?" inquired Henry Beaumont, for it was he.

"Yes, sir," said Emma; "please walk in and you may see her."

She ushered the old man into the comfortable sitting room, where Mrs. Lowe rose to receive him.

"I believe," he said, "I'm not mistaken in thinking that your name before marriage was Anna Beaumont?"

"You are right, sir; that was my name."

"And have you no recollection of an uncle that wandered away from home and friends, and from whom no tidings have come for many a long year?"

"Yes, sir, I remember him well—my uncle Henry—and I have many times wished I could hear something from him. Can you give me any information?"

"I can—for I am he."

"You my uncle?" said Mrs. Lowe, in surprise; "then you are indeed welcome. Emma, bring your uncle the armchair, and place it close to the fire; and, Mary, bring your father's slippers, for I am sure your dear uncle must long to get off those heavy boots. And now, uncle, when you are quite rested, I must demand a recital of your adventures."

"But your brother Alexander?" interrupted Mr. Beaumont; "let me first inquire about him. He lives in town now, does he not?"

A light cloud came over Mrs. Lowe's face.

"Yes," she said, "he does live in town; yet, strange as it may appear, I seldom or never see him. He has succeeded well, and is wealthy. But ever since he married a wife with a small property and greater pride he has kept aloof from us. I do not blame him so much as his wife, who is said to have great influence over him. I have called once, but she treated me so coldly that I have not felt a disposition to renew my visit."

"I can easily believe it; for I, too, have been repulsed."

"You repulsed? Did you give your name, and inform her of your relation to her husband?"

"I did; but she did not invite me to enter, and she was evidently impatient for me to be gone. I took the hint, and here I am."

"At least, uncle," said Mrs. Lowe smilingly, "you need not be afraid of any repulse here."

"Of that I am quite sure," said the old man, looking affectionately into the face of his niece. But you have not told me of your husband. Let me know you have made a good match," he added playfully.

"That depends on what is meant by the term. If it implies a rich husband then I failed most certainly, for William's salary is only \$1,000, and that is what we have to depend upon. But for all that I care not, for a kind, affectionate husband is worth far more than a magnificent house and the most costly furniture."

"You are right," said her uncle. "There must be something which your limited means will not permit you to obtain, but which would be desirable, is there not?"

"Yes," said Mrs. Lowe; "I am anxious to give Emma and Mary a musical education, but William's means will not allow of such extravagance as the purchase of a piano, so that is one of the things we must be content to deny ourselves."

Mr. Lowe then entered, and being informed of the character of his visitor he extended him a hearty welcome. A comfortable repast was soon spread, of which Mr. Beaumont readily partook. His spirits rose, and he seemed to grow younger as he saw the cheerful faces around him, and felt himself at home. Soon after the evening meal he rose to depart.

"Surely you are not going," said his niece; "you must henceforth take up your abode with us."

"We will see about that, and if you don't think you will get tired of me perhaps I will come. But I have hired

a lodging and must undoubtedly remain in it for a few days."

"But you will call in every day and make yourself perfectly at home, even before you come here to stay," persisted his niece.

"Be sure of that."

In accordance with his promise Mr. Beaumont made his appearance next day at 11 o'clock, and was received as cordially as before. He had hardly been in the house a few minutes when a rap was heard at the door. Mrs. Lowe beheld two men, who had just driven up in a wagon.

"Where is the piano to be put, ma'am?" they inquired.

"Piano! You have made a mistake. We have purchased no piano."

"It's all right," said a loud voice behind her.

She turned round in amazement.

"You know," continued the uncle, "that I am come to live with you, and I thought I would pay my board in advance, that is all. As you expressed a wish yesterday for a piano I thought it would be as acceptable a way as any."

"You, uncle! Why, excuse me, but I thought from—"

"You mean," said he, smiling, "that you thought from my appearance that I could not afford it. And I confess," said he, casting a glance at himself in the glass, "that my dress is not in the extreme of fashion; and, in fact, I was obliged to look some time when I called at the second-hand clothing shop the other day before I could find these. However, as I have got all the service I wished out of them, I shall throw them aside to-morrow and appear more respectably clad."

"What! are you wealthy, uncle?"

"Depend upon it, Anna, I didn't spend ten years in the East Indies for nothing," was the reply. "I had the mind, however, to put on the appearance of a poor man, and so test the affection and disinterestedness of my relations. One of them, however, I found not at home. I am happy to find myself at home with the other."

Let us return to the aristocratic Mrs. Beaumont, who, a few days succeeding the events here recorded, was in her drawing room receiving calls.

"By the way," said a fashionable visitor, "I am to have your relatives, the Lowes, for my next door neighbors."

"Next door neighbors!" exclaimed Mrs. Beaumont, in amazement. "What do you mean?"

"Is it possible that you have not heard of their good fortune? Mrs. Lowe's uncle has just returned from the East Indies with an immense fortune. He has taken a house in the same street with ours, and when they have moved into it he will take up his residence with them. Meanwhile he is stopping at the Clarendon hotel."

"What! Henry Beaumont?"

"The very same. But I thought you knew it."

When the visitor withdrew Mrs. Beaumont ordered her carriage and immediately drove to the hotel where her husband's uncle was stopping. She sent up her card and requested an audience.

The servant soon returned with another card, on which were traced the significant words, "Not at home."—New York World.

The Terrapin Disease.

The terrapin is thought to have much influence in causing sickness, and the terrapin disease is either a rheumatic affliction about the chest and ribs or possibly some pulmonary trouble. The association of the terrapin with disease in this portion of the body, doubtless, originates from the fact that the ribs of the terrapin are not free, as in the case of most of the higher animals, but are united into one piece.

An Indian who was ill applied for relief to a shaman, and was asked, "Did you not, when a boy, tie strings to the terrapin's tail and worry the creature?"

The patient admitted that he did.

"Well," said the medicine man, "that is what is the matter. It is the terrapin's turn now, and the terrapin is paying off old scores. You have the terrapin sickness, and all your ribs have grown together, and to your breastbone."

The shaman administered the proper remedy prescribed in such cases. I forget what it was, and the man thought he was cured.—Youth's Companion.

Survivors of Niagara Times.

The hat cords strung along the roofs of railway compartments have long survived their purpose. No one now ever thinks of hanging his hat on them, although doubtless they were most convenient in the cramped and crowded old stage coaches. The straps or slings at the windows of first-class railway compartments are survivors from the old coaches, whose four occupants held on to them like grim death when the coach was jolting and tilting over a bad bit of road. Even now some of the railway coaches are rounded off at the bottom corners in the style of the old coaches, this being simply a survival of habit in the builder.—London Tit-Bits.

A Case of Mistaken Identity

He asked for a bunch of American beauties, and placing the box under his arm he bore his offering to her gracious presence. With a great flourish he presented them, saying, "I selected these for you because they are what you are."

She took them from the box, and then deliberately turned her back on him to smile on the other fellow. And he doesn't know even now that the florist had cheated him and given him roses familiarly known as jacks.—New York Evening Sun.

## ANCIENT BUDDHIST STATUES.

Valuable Stone Carvings Found in India by Some Children at Day.

The Pioneer of Allahabad reports an archaeological discovery of some importance at Maheswar, in the Rungpoor district. Some children, while playing among ruins there, unearthed two beautiful groups of statues, cut from the hard black basaltic stone found near Gya. Both represent mythological deities, with features of a Græco-Buddhist type. The first is 2 feet in length by 20 inches in breadth, with a depth of 5 inches. It represents Vishnu or Brahma, the emblem of the preserving power in nature.

The central figure stands on a lotus, and its four hands grasp a club, wheel, lotus and conch. On the head is a tiara three inches in height, which, with the earrings, necklace, bracelets, waist chain and sacred thread, are rendered with a wonderful degree of delicacy and finish. To the right and left stand figures of Lakshmi, the goddess of wealth, and Saraswati, who patronizes learning, each ten inches in height. Round the central group are seven minor deities, armed with bows and arrows and riding on horses and elephants. The entire group is surrounded by a head of the Avalok, known as Nrisingha. On the base is an inscription said to be in the Landa character, a mixed form of Devanagiri and Tibetan.

The second piece of carving is smaller, and the workmanship, though good, is not equal to that of the other group. It is 15 inches high, 20 inches broad and 5 deep, and represents a Pauranic goddess. The figure is seated on a lotus, and is four armed. The lower left hand supports a male infant, the corresponding right hand holds a sweetmeat, and the two others grasp branches of trees.

This group also has an inscription in Landa, which, however, has defied elucidation. Both pieces of sculpture are in excellent preservation, the tracery being as clear cut as if it had just left the artist's hand. History and tradition are alike silent as to the origin of these curious relics, and it will probably remain a puzzle how an inscription in bastard Tibetan should be discovered at so unlikely a spot.

The keenest excitement was caused by the discovery among the Hindoo population. Apart from the intrinsic value of the carvings, which is considerable, they are objects of worship. During their temporary sojourn at the local police station they were visited by crowds and anothered with sweet oils and flowers. Various claimants came forward, and to avoid litigation the district made them over to the local Hindoo religious association. They have been built into the wall at one end of its hall, where they were inspected with interest by Stewart Bayley during his visit to Rungpoor.

Tends to Personal Retorts.

A prolonged newspaper correspondence upon almost any topic under the sun will rarely fail to evoke, after a time, personal retorts and disparaging reflections, more or less courteously expressed.

A country squire, who entertained a profound contempt for all botanical, geological or zoological investigations lying outside the domain of "sport," had a quarrel with a local natural history society, the members of which, by trespassing on his estate in quest of lemons and fungi, had disturbed his game.

This led to a number of bitter letters in the county paper, in the course of which the secretary of the society alluded to "that taste for natural history now almost universally prevalent throughout this country." Next week the squire's letter began, "According to Mr. —'s statement, Great Britain is an island inhabited by 30,000,000 of people, mostly naturalists—an unmistakable paraphrase of Carlyle's famous dictum.—All the Year Round.

One More Remedy for Obesity.

Never eat more than one dish at a meal, no matter what that dish may be, and a person may consume as much as the stomach may bear, and satisfy the appetite without the least reserve. Nevertheless, nothing but the one dish should be taken; no condiments, no soups nor supplementary desserts should be allowed. This system was recommended by the author of the note to a lady who was slightly obese, and who put it into practice with the best results.

The lady observed that she suffered no inconvenience whatever from this diet, and the result obtained by several others may be well understood, as she found by her own experience that the partaking of only one dish, whether it be meat, fish or vegetables, brought on a sense of satiety much sooner than if she had partaken of a variety of dishes, whence the effect of a relative abstinence.—Pharmaceutical Era.

A penny provident fund was established in New York city by the Charity Organization society. After having been in operation about a year it was found on Nov. 1, 1889, that there were 8,846 depositors, aggregating \$3,600.38. Slowly gaining the confidence of the community, the fund had July 1, 1890, the sum of \$7,014.77 remaining on deposit, and over 15,000 persons had availed themselves of the privilege in sums varying from one cent upward.

Some people attach a medicinal value to amber, and wear beads of it about them for that purpose. As an article of adornment it is not worn much by Americans, but is used quite extensively by Hebrew, French and Italian women.

## STARERS REBUKED.

Peculiar Result of the Presence of Three Girls in Nassau Street.

It isn't often that the penalty for staring at a pretty girl is so severe as that which befell four prosperous citizens one day in Nassau street. A party of three unusually pretty young women, on the way, no doubt, to the Stock Exchange gallery, were walking along the east sidewalk, from Cedar toward Wall street, just before 2 o'clock. Such attractive visitors to this sordid quarter of the town are not very numerous, and the girls found themselves the object of a good deal of attention from the hurrying throng of bankers, brokers and clerks.

The stone flagging on the block has been worn very smooth, and the messenger boys had taken advantage of the thin covering of ice to make a dozen or two very slippery little slides, each six to ten feet long. A foot carelessly planted upon one of these polished streaks was pretty sure to start off suddenly in the direction in which there was least resistance. The walk was not so crowded but that everybody could see just where the dangerous spots lay, and could avoid them by making ordinary use of their eyes.

The block was safe enough until the three girls came along. But during the seventy-five seconds which they occupied it, briskly walking from corner to corner, no less than four men went sprawling to the ground. Three of the victims were walking toward the young women, and in turn went head over heels right in their path.

The fourth had passed them and rashly turned his head to look back. He was the most demoralized of all the victims. He was an old man, apparently a retired banker, and very dignified. The expression of his face when he suddenly went to earth would make the fortune of the artist who could reproduce it. His tall hat went into the gutter, the peculiar twisting of his jaw suggested a misplaced set of false teeth, and a most amazing shifting of his scalp lock betrayed the fact that his thin iron gray hair was a cleverly constructed wig.

His descent was so terrific that the shock caused the young women to look around and attracted a small crowd. The shock was so severe that the victim gave no thought to the cause of his downfall. Not so the other three victims. They were not hurt physically, but three more shamed faces men never out a ludicrous figure at a particularly embarrassing moment. They seemed to realize in an instant that everybody could see just how it happened, and the half-repressed twinkles in the eyes of the young women, whose progress was momentarily blocked, added to their confusion.

The girls did not seem to understand the significance of the series of accidents until the third man went down. When they began to realize that they were responsible for the abject though involuntary homage that was being paid them they almost lost control of their own equilibrium. When the fourth individual, a pompous, fat gentleman, dressed in faultless style, went prone upon his face the girls could control themselves no longer. They buried their noses in their muffins and fled across the street.—New York Sun.

Two Profitable Professions.

In discussions and articles on "The Choice of a Profession" two of the most lucrative professions of all have generally been forgotten. These are the professions of a jockey and "strong man." At a festive meeting, viz., the annual dinner of the Jockey club, a former steward of the Jockey club said: "Cases now exist where a jockey receives a salary equal to that of a secretary of state, and jockeys even of the second rank receive, I think, payments which place them in a position, from a financial point of view, considerably ahead, I may say, of the bulk of their employers."

Besides these salaries (or retainers, as they are called) the jockeys receive the authorized and regular riding fees, and it is no exaggeration to say that at the present moment at least half a dozen of them are earning, in connection with their riding, in the shape of retainers, riding fees and presents, \$5,000 a year apiece, and in one or two cases even more.

With reference to the earnings of "strong men," Sandow is reported to have said, in connection with the contest in which he took part Wednesday, that by his defeat he lost more than \$4,000, the savings of only two years. If these two statements are facts, and there is no reason to doubt that they are, we need not wonder at the large number of would-be "strong men" and jockeys.—Pall Mall Gazette.

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## NORTH ANDOVER.

Four candidates were initiated and three applications for membership were received at the meeting of Wynona Lodge, Monday evening. The following were elected office bearers: Chief Templar, Jonas Eastwood; Past Chief Templar, C. M. Sanborn; vice-Templar, Edith Clark; Recording Secretary, Irving McCown; Financial Secretary, Joshua Paine; Treasurer, George Reed; Chaplain, Fanny Harris; Marshal, Bert Cole; Deputy Marshal, Clara Hall; Guard, Mrs. Jonas Eastwood; Sentinel, Henry Chick; Supt. Juvenile Temple for one year, Rev. Elias Dodge.

Ansel J. Cheney, of Salem, State Inspector of public buildings and factories, visited the Merrimack School Monday afternoon.

The Moulders of Lawrence held a dance in Odd Fellow's Hall last Friday night. Collins orchestra furnished the music, there were about 140 couples present. Chief of Police Smith and officer Crowther were on duty during the evening.

The topic for the meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E., Sunday evening, is "Chosen of Christ." Christian Endeavor day.

Merrimack Lodge, O. R. C., appointed Walter Stone, William Morgan and J. M. Craig a committee on finance at the meeting Tuesday evening. It was decided to hold an entertainment at an early date.

Entertainment at the Methodist vestry to-night.

It is said that the efforts of the N. A. Minstrels were appreciated by the Boxford people Saturday evening. The theatre was crowded.

A gold watch and an oak chamber set are among the articles to be disposed of at the coming fair of Co. L.

Members of Wauwinet Lodge, I. O. O. F., enjoyed a supper of steamed clams in the basement of their building Wednesday evening.

Col. Dodge of Beverly conducted a regimental inspection at the Armory Monday evening; the boys attended in good numbers and the exercises in general were satisfactory. Maj. Ward of Wakefield who it was expected would be present was detained by other duties.

Berg & Towle's Orchestra furnished music for the private assembly at Stevens Hall, Friday evening.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held a business meeting, Wednesday evening.

Mr. Miles of Boxford lost a horse on Sutton Street, Friday. The animal fell through the ice by the side of the road and died from injuries received.

A merry party of about 20 young people of St. Paul's Church went to Lowell Tuesday evening. After enjoying a supper at a well known restaurant, the party returned home.

The schools enter Monday on the summer arrangement, closing an half hour later than during the winter term.

Chief of Police Smith took Asa Demming to Danvers, Wednesday.

If the weather proves suitable Tuesday evening it is probable that a number of people will attend the Kirmess at Andover.

Officer Crowther discovered that the gas jet outside the B. & M. Station had burned off the brass burner, Saturday night, and was blazing nearly two feet.

A party of 22 people attended the lecture of Stepiak, at the town hall Monday evening, and at its close enjoyed a short sleighride.

Representative Greene says that indications are that the session of the legislature will be shorter than usual this term.

A law was passed Wednesday allowing the committee on Game and Fisheries to travel anywhere in the state. A lively time is anticipated by this committee, as a law has been passed recently preventing the catching of fish along the coast by the use of the seine.

The officers of the Grange for the coming year were installed Tuesday evening of last week by W. C. Allyn, assisted by Mrs. John Crosby, both of Methuen Grange. There were visitors present from Andover, Boxford, and Methuen.

The Board of Registrars met at the home of Town Clerk Osgood, at the Centre, Friday evening, to revise the voting list, in preparation for the approaching town meeting. Twelve names were stricken from the list by reason of removal by death or other causes. The first meeting of the Board for the purpose of considering the qualifications of applicants desirous of being registered will be held at Stevens Hall Monday evening, Jan. 16, from 6.30 till 9.30. The second and last meeting will be at the Selectmen's village office Wednesday evening, Feb. 25, from 7 till 10 o'clock.

Mrs. Frank W. Abbott will lead the Sunday evening meeting of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church. The subject is "Have I been born again?"

The County Grange meets in the Town Hall at Topsfield Thursday, Feb 5.

About \$65 was contributed Sunday to Rev. S. S. Cummings, who occupied the pulpit of the Congregational Church, representing the work of the Little Wanderer's Home, Boston. Mr. Cummings, with four children from the Home, was well received at the Methodist Church in the evening. The little girls were cared for by Messrs. D. W. Carney and Thomas Robinson.

At the meeting of Busy Bee Juvenile Temple, Wednesday evening, two candidates were initiated. The members of Wynona Lodge were present as visitors and the box party proved to be a pleasing feature and was pronounced by all a success. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mrs. Flynn for her faithful and efficient service as Superintendent. The Lodge under her supervision has made progress and her painstaking care has redounded to the pleasure and profit of the children. The programme of the evening was as follows: Readings, Grace Hall, Alice Ogden, and Bessie Crockett; organette selection, James M. Craig; reading, Frances Ogden. The following were chosen officers of the Lodge: Chief Templar, Charles Hinckman; past Chief Templar, Albert Chalk; vice Templar, Frances Ogden; Chaplain, Minnie Goff; Recording Secretary, Cornelius Mahoney; assistant Secretary, Mary Costello; financial Secretary, George Wooley; Treasurer, Isabella Rhodes; Marshal, Chester Carney; Deputy Marshal, Lilla Rand; Guard, Lottie Brown; Sentinel, John Lowe.

A hearing was given at the State House Friday morning on the petition of Newton P. Frye and others in regard to ratifying and confirming the proceedings of our recent town meeting. Mr. Frye, the petitioner, appeared before the Judiciary Committee, and in support of his case argued that the by-laws accepted by the town and approved by the Superior Court specified that the warrants shall be served by a constable, thereby doing away with the alternative whereby the Selectmen could appoint "some other persons." Cases were cited to sustain this view.

Selectman George L. Well was present, and in defending the action of the Board, argued that the by-laws conflicted with and were repugnant to the statutes, and that the action was to be considered in its entirety, and did not admit of a separation. References were also made to cases upholding this line of argument.

Chairman Dewey of the committee asked Mr. Well if, after having considered the arguments, it should be the opinion of the Judiciary Committee that the meeting was illegal, it was his desire that the action of the town be ratified, to which Mr. Well said that no action should be taken in the matter. Representative Greene said that to avoid any further contingency, as a selectman, he desired the committee to pass upon the matter either negatively or affirmatively. Selectman Well assented to the proposition, and the matter was put under advisement. Tuesday morning the committee reported "leave to withdraw" to the House, concerning the petition, and Wednesday, as there was no objection, the order was adopted. In the opinion of the committee the meeting was legal. The hearing lasted about one hour, and among those present in the room were Thos. K. Gilman and Frank K. Saunders.

## A Drawing Room Party.

Within the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Sanborn on Third St. and Maple Avenue, Friday evening, a merry company of young people from North, South, and West Parishes were entertained with becoming grace by Miss Annie E. Sanborn. The last guest having received a cordial greeting, each gentleman was invited to select a partner for a game of "Tiddledy Winks," which was progressive in nature. The choice of partners was by the gentlemen asking conundrums and young ladies responding. At a given signal all gave their attention to the game and began "winking" as rapidly as possible, until warned to stop; those victorious at each table advancing to another in regular order until the close of the game, when the attendance of the guests was requested in the dining room to discuss a dainty collation of ices, cake, and fruits. Re-assembling in the parlors the successful "winkers" and those, also, who winked "modestly" received prizes according to their proficiency. Master Chickering, who winked 119 times, was remembered with a pretty paper weight. Miss Della Marston received the ladies' prize for winking 120 times. Mr. Fred Smith and Miss Saunders received prizes for modesty, winking only 72 and 86 times. After a few moments pleasant conversation the hour for departure arrived, and the evening's sociability was a happy recollection.

## Wedding.

HUMPHREY.—FULLER.

In the spacious and substantial dwelling-house of Mr. Abijah P. Fuller of the Kimball district, the marriage of his eldest daughter, Miss Eliza Farnham Fuller to Mr. Elmer Franklin Humphrey of Lynn was fittingly celebrated Wednesday afternoon at four o'clock. Miss Fuller was graduated from the Johnson High School in the class of '79, and for four years has been a successful teacher in the primary and intermediate department of the Union school. The ceremony was privately performed in the presence of relatives, by Rev. Chas. Noyes, pastor of the Unitarian Church. The bride was prettily attired in a costume of white henrietta and faillie francaise silk and carried in her hand a bouquet of bride's roses. A charming reception was tendered the invited guests, who numbered about 150 people, between the hours of six and eight o'clock during which time the joyous couple were greeted with congratulations and heartfelt wishes for future happiness. The brothers of the bride served as ushers. Mr. and Mrs.

Humphrey left town on the 9.30 train and will make their future home on Deer Park Avenue, Lynn. The many and very beautiful gifts from friends testified to the popularity of both the young people in town.

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## Know His Man.

A lawyer tells the following story concerning a client, something of a wag in his way, with whom he had long kept an account. When the latter was finally made up, the bill, mostly for trifling services, covered several yards of foolscap, as the items enumerated the most minute details.

When the client came around to settle he refused to enter the office, but stood in the door, holding one end of the bill unrolled the voluminous document in the direction of his legal adviser, with the request that he receipt it.

"Come in," said the lawyer in his most cordial tones.

"Not much," replied the client; "you'd charge me rent if I did."—Boston Traveller.

## A Sure Sign.

"How did you know I had but just begun the practice of medicine?"

"Because you mentioned that you were ill the other day and treated yourself. Only very young physicians doctor themselves."—Buffalo Express.

## Costly Drugs.

A three pound bottle of alkaloid of aconitine costs \$485.50; a quarter ounce phial of chelidonium alkaloid, a new drug used in skin diseases, acrofula and dropsy, costs \$88; cocaine costs about \$120 a pound. A five ounce bottle of "true cotin" will cost about \$350, or \$70 per ounce. Crystals of elaterin, a poison used in cases of hydrophobia and lockjaw, prepared from a plant called South American Indian arrow, is worth about \$145 per ounce.—St. Louis Republic.

## The Difference.

Collector Callagen—Wife, please hurry up that supper! You never seem to hustle things.

Mrs. C.—You forget that a woman's work is never finished.

Mr. C.—Look at me. Mine is always done.—Pittsburg Bulletin.

## Sir Arthur Sullivan Snubbed.

The following story is told of Sir Arthur Sullivan. Some little time ago, when a change in the cast had been made, Sir Arthur, who happened to be dining at the Savoy hotel, slipped away for a few minutes from the table, and went into the theatre to the upper circle, there to hear and judge for himself the capabilities of the new artists.

As the play proceeded, and a favorite score in the opera was taken, the talented composer unconsciously commenced to hum the refrain as he desired it to be rendered. This considerably annoyed his next door neighbor, who abruptly remarked:

"Excuse me, sir, if I mention the fact that I have paid my money to hear Sir Arthur Sullivan's charming opera as given by the company, and not your confounded humming!"

Sir Arthur returned to his dinner, and related the incident with great gusto.—Pittsburg Press.

## A Cheerful Prospect.

Old Grumps—If you want to marry my daughter, young man, you must first get your life insured in her favor. Enamored Youth—Certainly, certainly, sir. Which company would you recommend?

Old Grumps—Well, I think it better be the Pay All Claims company. They allow suicide.—New York Weekly.

The school authorities in Hungary recently procured a legislative enactment making the study of the ancient Greek language optional in grammar schools. The result has been a great surprise, for only two lads have requested to be exempted from the study of Greek.

Mutually Unsatisfactory. "Look here," said a dude to a reporter, "you tell me a couple of good jokes. I want to get them off as original, you know, at a social gathering to-night. I'll lend you five dollars if you do."

"I don't think it will work," replied the newspaper man pensively.

"Why not?"

"I am so blamed poor that if I am found with five dollars on my person I'll be suspected to have stolen them, and you are so blamed stupid that if you get off a good joke everybody will suspect right off that you stole it."—Texas Siftings.

A Progressive Standstill. She—How is Mr. Carothers getting on with his love affair?

He—Well, he was holding his own when I stepped into the parlor last night.—Epoch.



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